February 1, 1968

The Roosevelt Hotel
Madison Avenue at 45th Street
New York, New York

Gentlemen:

Please reserve a single room in the name of Mr. James N. Wood, Jr. for the night of February 7th. Mr. Wood will be arriving at the hotel at about mid-afternoon.

Confirmation by return mail would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

February 1, 1968

Dr. Frances R. Cousens
Associate Professor of Sociology
The University of Michigan
Dearborn Campus
4901 Evergreen Road
Dearborn, Michigan 48124

Dear Dr. Cousens:

This is in reply to your letter of January 29th to Mr. Anthony who is away from the office because of illness. Mr. Anthony will be pleased with the contents of your letter and will be in touch with you, I'm sure, as soon after his return to the office as possible.

In the meantime, I am having sent to you six additional copies of our youth study as you have requested.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

February 1, 1968

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina 29104

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Paul is away from the office nursing the 'Flu since Saturday following the Executive Committee meeting.

In Paul's absence I'm enclosing a copy of the "Staff Recommendations to the Executive Committee Re: The Lillian Smith Award," as adopted by that Committee at its September 11th meeting. These recommendations will answer most of the questions in your letter of January 29th. There are, however, two remaining questions in your letter which Paul will have to answer for you when he returns to the office, i.e., who the chairman is to be, and whether the award would cover the calendar year or the period from Annual Meeting to Annual Meeting.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosure - 1.

Reading file

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5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

February 1, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant, Executive Director
Tennessee Council on Human Relations
818-B Seventeenth Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Baxton:

We are pleased to enclose our check in the amount of $400.00 to help cover the expenses of the representatives of the West Tennessee Self-Help Development Corporation to attend the Washington meeting.

I just don't know at this time whether or not I can make it to Dallas. I am trying to work it out to attend the Washington meeting but will have to call you later to let you know.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosure

P. S. Please sign enclosed copy of this letter and return to me.

February 1, 1968

Mr. Gerard G. Gilmore
1430 Olive Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63103

Dear Mr. Gilmore:

This will acknowledge your letter of December 15, 1967. Regret that we inadvertently failed to comply until the present time.

We are seriously considering developing a project that would be designed to encourage law enforcement for correctional managers to consider building more flexible facilities in view of the fact that corrections are in such a great state of flux and change. As the correctional institutions move closer and closer to communities, it is our opinion that managers should reexamine their master plans to conform to community-related penal programs.

Most probably, your organization has already adopted this concept. Should we go further with this idea, your counsel will be appreciated and we will get in touch with you.

Sincerely yours,

John O. Boone, Director
Project on Crime and Corrections

JOB/vmb

cc: Mr. Richard Chappell

February 1, 1968

Mr. Charles O. Prejean
The Federation of Southern Cooperatives
P. O. Box 3005
LaFayette, Louisiana 70501

Dear Charles:

We have your memorandum of January 29 regarding the proposed business management workshop for co-op managers to be held February 21-23 here in Atlanta.

Now, a joint meeting of the A. Philip Randolph Institute and the Southern Regional Council will be held at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel here in Atlanta beginning at 8 P.M. on February 23 through Sunday noon of the 25th. SRC will cover hotel costs of the co-op managers that wish to remain for this meeting.

I am enclosing the attached materials for your information.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosures

February 1, 1968

Mr. Cohen T. Simpson
Dean of Instruction
Talladega College
Talladega, Alabama 35160

Dear Mr. Simpson:

I have given Mr. Marvin Wall, Director of Information for the Voter Education Project, a copy of your letter of January 29. He says he will be happy to send you the list of Negroes who have been elected to public office in the South.

It was good meeting you, and I trust that we shall see each other again from time to time.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 1, 1968

Miss Barbara A. Benz
Marian Hall (229)
360 Choate Avenue
Buffalo, N.Y. 14220

Dear Miss Benz:

In regard to your request for information about financially adopting an American Indian child, write to:

Bureau of Indian Affairs
Department of the Interior
C-Street between 18th and 19th Streets N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240.

A child can be adopted through this bureau.

SINCERELY,

Patty Gordon
(research department)

February 1, 1968

Dr. William A. Rutherford
Executive Director
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Rutherford:

We are enclosing several of the Call and Tentative Schedule of the meeting jointly sponsored by the A. Philip Randolph Institute and the Southern Regional Council which I spoke to you about on the phone. We would like very much to have 15 representatives from the SCLC to attend this meeting.

If you would prefer to invite them yourselves we would be glad to furnish you additional copies of the Call. If you want us to invite them please send us the names as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enclosures

February 1, 1968

Mr. Clarence D. Coleman, Director
National Urban League
Southern Regional Office
78 Marietta Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Coleman:

We are enclosing several of the Call and Tentative Schedule of the meeting jointly sponsored by the A. Philip Randolph Institute and the Southern Regional Council which I spoke to you about on the phone. We would like very much to have 15 representatives from the National Urban League to attend this meeting.

If you would prefer to invite them yourselves we would be glad to furnish you additional copies of the Call. If you want us to invite them please send us the names as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enclosures

February 1, 1968

Mrs. Ruby Hurley
Director
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
859½ Hunter Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mrs. Hurley:

We are enclosing several of the Call and Tentative Schedule of the meeting jointly sponsored by the A. Philip Randolph Institute and the Southern Regional Council which I spoke to you about on the phone. We would like very much to have 25 representatives from the NAACP to attend this meeting.

If you would prefer to invite them yourselves we would be glad to furnish you additional copies of the Call. If you want us to invite them please send us the names as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enclosures

February 1, 1968

Mr. Hugh E. Cutrer
Director of Registration
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Cutrer:

Please send me a copy of your most recent table showing parish-by-parish registration in Louisiana. Thank you for your prompt and courteous response to our previous requests.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 1, 1968

Mr. Jimmy Morrisey
President
Hoke County Branch, NAACO
P. O. Box 501
Raeford, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Morrisey:

Unfortunately we cannot supply leaflets and posters for your registration campaign. However, we can furnish you with a half-dozen copies of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" which we are sending to you under separate cover. With regard to other material, may I suggest that you write:

Mr. W. C. Patton
NAACP and Voter Registration Office
Room 407
1630 North Fourth Avenue
Birmingham, Alabama

and

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701.

If we can be of further service to you please let me know.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 1, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
President
Iberville Industrial Voters League, Inc.
1812 Third Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Mr. Samuel:

Thank you very much for your letter of January 23 and your press release dated January 9. Both are excellent.

Unfortunately the printer was breathing down my neck to close out the current issue of the newsletter, so we were unable to hold up for your story. However, I plan to use it in the next issue and I would appreciate it if you would keep me informed about further developments between now and the end of February. I will particularly need to know if any decision is made in either the state or federal courts.

In the meantime I will pass along word of this injustice to the various national reporters based here in Atlanta.

We will be in touch with you from time to time this year, either directly or through Weldon. Meanwhile keep up the good work.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 1, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Bill:

Sorry to take so long about reading over the draft of your booklet on precinct meetings. In general I think the same comments apply as were made about the congressional district booklets. I am attaching an evaluation made by Mrs. Robin Ulmer who worked for us as a research assistant for several months during the winter.

I had some of the same misgivings that Robin had about section "A" on page 1. Some of the definitions strike me as being a little vague. For example, executive committee is defined as "the committee which runs things" and convention is defined as "a meeting for some purpose." I realize that you are shooting for simple language, but perhaps the definitions should be a little more explicit.

On page 2, it strikes me that the table on party organization should go from the bottom up (in theory, at least) in pyramid fashion starting with precinct meetings and going on up to the national convention.

Again I have some misgivings about so much tabulated matter under capital letter and numerical headings.

With all of these reservations, I still think you have a good booklet and some good material. And I appreciate the explanation in your letter of December 20. about the congressional handbooks. There is much to be said for your approach in these handbooks, inasmuch as they were not designed for mass distribution.

Your outline of booklets sounds very good and I look forward to seeing the others. What about doing a "Know Your North Carolina Government" booklet for us?

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

It's two-party oriented
Lacking in explanation of:
(and I hate to see anything
these days that intimates
(even if through omissions) that your
political opportunity is limited to
either of the two big parties.)

Political Party
All things listed under
"A"---though I don't
think "A" should exist
at all but the terms
(and their explanations)
be incorporated into body.

Voting district
precinct
Why the necessity, etc.
Why are precints important

register as member of party---
when do you do thi?
advantages, disadvantages

how does one find out what precinct
he is in?

It's a far cry from being simple enough for a person with a fourth grade education. And it's a further cry from bing put into 8 or 12 pages plus illustrations.

The information's good, though---and necessary.

February 1, 1968

Mr. W. C. Patton
NAACP and Voter Registration Office
Room 407
1630 North Fourth Avenue
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Patton:

Here's the list of elected officials which you requested---with, as I mentioned, the exception of Arkansas. It was good to have you here inpperson. I hope you had a good trip back to Birmingham.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

February 1, 1968

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM Marvin Wall

Please send ten (10) copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the State Councils on Human Relations. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

February 1, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 100 copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the three VEP statewide voter education Projects. Labels are attached.

February 1, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please mail the VEP newsletter to all addresses in the VEP plates.

Also please mail to addresses in the following categories:

1. Board

2. FRC

4. Intergroups

5. Labor

7. Libraries

Many thanks.

February 1, 1968

Dean Cohen T. Simpson
Dean of Instruction
Talladega College
Talladega, Alabama 35160

Dear Dean Simpson:

In response to your request to Mr. Stanfield we are enclosing our list of Negro elected officials in the South.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

cc: Ed Stanfield

Febrarary 1, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Bill:

In case it might still be of some use to you I am enclosing a copy of the "Democratic Precinct Handbook 1968" which arrived here today.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

FRIENDS OF CHILDREN OF MISSISSIPPI
507½ North Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39202
February 1, 1968

Dr. Ralph Phelps
Director
Southeastern Regional Office
Office of Economic Opportunity
101 Marietta Street Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Dr. Phelps:

We are herewith submitting a direct application of Friends of Children of Mississippi to you for Head Start funds for 1968.

On July 5, 1965 FCM submitted a direct application for the operation of a Head Start program in a six-county area. This application was returned on July 14, 1967 without having been reviewed. Ten days later, Jule Sugarman, associate director of Project Head Start, Washington, wrote to the FCM Board instructing us to present our application directly to the Board of Directors of Mississippi Action for Progress (MAP).

> In the absence of a response from MAP or a response which indicates that such an application will not be considered or an alternative arrangement mutually acceptable to both parties cannot be devised, you may proceed to submit an application for direct funding to the Atlanta Regional office of Economic Opportunity. The procedure for submission of an application for direct funding is outlined in Community Action Memorandum, 9-A, dated February 21, 1967.

BEST COPY AVAILABLE

In April, 1967 FCM took the initiative in making approaches to MAP in an effort to achieve a reconciliation between the two programs. Since that time FCM has made every reasonable effort to negotiate in good faith. These efforts reached a productive peak between September and November 1967. Many detailed drafts of proposed contracts were exchanged. However, since December, the agreement arrived has been progressively and unilaterally withdrawn by MAP until on January 19, 1968 the FCM Board was informed by MAP that it was "impossible for this agreement to be implemented."

We have no recourse now but to follow the steps outlined by Mr. Sugarman by submitting our application to you for direct funding. The parents, children, employees, and community representatives of FCM have been carrying on their own program without the aid of any federal funds for well over a year. We are proud of our program, which we feel reflects the original idea of the poverty program—helping poor people to help themselves. OEO cannot continue to ignore us without raising doubts in our minds of concerned people in the country about its adherence to the goals for which it was created.

Sincerely yours,

Rev. W. G. Goff
Chairman of the Board

Frederick R. Mangrum, Jr.
Executive Director

WG/nm

cc: Messrs. Sargent Shriver
Bertram Harding
Jule Sugarman

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February 2, 1968

Mr. Harold Kramer
Urban America Inc.
1717 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. Kramer:

It was good to meet you yesterday and I hope to see you again 12 February.

Under seperate cover I have forwarded a packet of things I forwarded Mr. Slayton. With the exception that I did not have another complete "A REPORT TO THE MAYOR" (in brown folder). However, this is complete as to the main recommendation just doesn't have some Doxiades pamphlets.

If there are any questions please let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director
Urban Planning Project

MGS:rh

February 2, 1968

Mr. Mitchell Sviridoff
Vice-President
The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mike:

Thank you for your call on yesterday. I want to confirm that I will be in New York in the early afternoon on the 19th. I will call you as soon as I have registered in the Summit to find out what time I can see you in the late afternoon, and about dinner plans.

I look forward to seeing you and getting my cigars.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 2, 1968

Mr. Jack Wofford
Associate Director
Kennedy Institute of Politics
Littauer Center
Havard University
Cambridge, Massachusetts   02138

Dear Jack:

I am looking forward to seeing you and Joan on February 20 and 21. I plan to arrive in Boston via American Air Lines Flight No. 410 at 5:21 p.m. I cannot get out of New York before 4:30. When I get to Boston, I will get a cab from the airport to 46 Dunster Street, hopefully in time for the first round of cocktails.

I plan to leave Boston at 7:05 Thursday morning, February 22nd, in order to get back to Atlanta to make a noon speech on the Community Action Program.

I will be more than happy to have the students in the college and law school to pick my brains Wednesday afternoon, and please say to Joan that the dinner party Wednesday evening suits me just fine.

Enclosed is a biographical sketch that may be of some use to you and to Dick Neustadt and Adam Yarmolinsky.

Jack, I must admit that I am quite excited about the possibility of being a Fellow at the Institute. However, certain problems are raised that we can discuss when I am there. In any event, I am looking forward to seeing you and Joan, and especially the recent additions to the Wofford clan.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

February 2, 1968

Mr. Daniel Thompson
Professor of Sociology
Dillard University
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

Dear Dan:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation this week, this is to extend to you an invitation to participate in the Institute for Louisiana Newly Elected Negro Officials, March 1st and 2nd at the Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana. The Institute is under the sponsorship of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council.

We would like for you to address the first working session of the Institute on "Louisiana Government: Past and Present." We would like for you to deal with the structure of the state government, the role of its component parts and their relationship to each other. To the extent possible, we would like for you to discuss the involvement of Negroes in the Louisiana political process

Your session on March 1st will begin at 10:00 a. m., and go through noon. Your presentation should leave time for questions and discussion by the elected officials.

Enclosed are agendas of three seminars that we have sponsored in the past which, hopefully, will give you some idea as to our objectives.

For your services, VEP will pay you a modest honorarium. It is our hope that in addition to your presentation, you can be with us throughout the Institute.

Under separate cover, I am sending you some materials on VEP.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

February 2, 1968

Mr. Phil Sorenson
Irwin, Sweeney, Miller Foundation
301 Washington Street
Columbus, Indiana

Dear Phil:

Thought you might like to see the attached memo prepared by the VEP. If you have any reaction please share it with us.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

February 2, 1968

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Associate Director
Institute of Politics
Harvard University
Littauer Center
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

February 2, 1968

Miss Barbara Jordan
Attorney at Law
5303 Lyons Avenue
Houston, Texas 77020

Dear Barbara:

This is to confirm your acceptance of our invitation to address the Institute for the Louisiana Negro Elected Officials on the evening of March 1, 7:30 p. m., at the Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana. This is the second in a series of seminars for Negro elected officials, and we find them to be extremely helpful to the elected officials prior to their assuming duties of office. Your presence and your words of wisdom will be a tremendous inspiration to the newly elected Negro officials in Louisiana.

The VEP will be responsible for your travel expenses and your night's lodging. In addition, there will be a modest honorarium for your services. If you would like for us to forward you Elite checks for your travel, please let us know.

Thank you again for your acceptance, and we look forward to seeing you in New Orleans.on March 1.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 2, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10077

Dear Leslie:

For the speech to the Foundations Group on Tuesday, February 20, I am arriving in New York on Monday afternoon and will be staying at the Summit Hotel. I have to leave New York on Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 to go visit with Jack Wofford and his friends at the Institute of Politics.

Per your request, I am enclosing my biographical sketch, although I am certain that you have no need for it.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

February 2, 1968

The Reverend A. I. Habersham
1219 Oglethorpe
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Habersham:

This is just to let you know that your friends all over the country are reading about the company you keep down there in Macon. It's a very good picture.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 2, 1968

Mr. Clinton L. Thornton
President
Bullock County Improvement Organization
Route 1, Box 100
Union Springs, Alabama 36089

Dear Mr. Thornton:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly report # 1, dated January 29. In order to be fully reimbursed as per your expenditures, we will need supporting documents for the following:

(1) All mileage expenditures,

(2) Rent, and

(3) Office Supplies.

Enclosed is a copy of our reporting requirements. Please re-read item # 6. May we have this at your earliest convenience so as not to impede the progress of your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 2, 1968

Mrs. Dixie Moon
Metropolitan Applied Research Center
330 West 58th Street
Suite 16-F
New York, New York 10019

Dear Dixie:

This is to confirm that my boss will be in New York on February 11 to attend the luncheon meeting in MARC Suite, Park Sheraton Hotel. In fact, he is looking forward to it.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

/nm

February 2, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send a box of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" to the attached address.

Many thanks.

February 5, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to North Carolina

Following is a report of a field trip to North Carolina on February 1-2, 1968, for purposes of reviewing three groups for possible VEP funding. These groups were the NAACP-Raleigh Citizens Association in Raleigh, the Hoke County NAACP in Raeford, and the Scotland County NAACP in Laurinburg. Each had submitted proposals to us, the latter two through W. C. Patton of the NAACP. Results of my investigation and recommendations pertaining to the above are herein included. Also included are my impressions of a meeting I attended with John Edwards of NCVEP (who, I might add accompained me on this trip), of the Poor People's Organization of Cumberland County.

RALEIGH - WAKE COUNTY

Background

The Raleigh-Wake County area has a Negro VEP of at least 23,000. Approximately 12,000 are registered. In the city of Raleigh proper there is a VEP of about 13,000 with approximately 8,000 registered. These figures then indicate that the county has a Negro registration of about 52%.

The county area has 11 incorporated towns in it. From this area black people have run for the legislature, city councils, and the county commission. Only two city council candidates have ever been elected. This was in Raleigh where some blacks hold the appointive positions of assistant municipal judge and Neighborhood Youth Corps director. In other areas of political participation, the picture is not bright at all.

Registration Drive Proposed

The Raleigh Citizens Association and the Raleigh Branch of the NAACP propose to conduct an eight-week voter registration drive to register more Negroes before the Democratic primary of May 8. This federated effort is heartening and from all indications, is genuine. I talked with two representatives of these two groups on February 1.

Reverend Charles Ward, Mr. James Shepard, John Edwards and I discussed the proposed drive to ascertain the needs and capabilities of the two groups. From this discussion I learned that:

(1) The registration deadline is April 12;

(2) In addition to regular 9-5 weekday hours, registrars can move around the county for registration after 5:00 p.m. and on weekends;

(3) The only active organizations in the area are the two groups that submitted their proposal to us;

(4) The primary tactical procedure to be employed will be the "floating registrars" working in the evenings and on weekends at places and times designated by the two sponsoring organizations.

Personnel to be Used

The personnel to be used in this drive are:

(1) project director

(2) 10 canvassers

(3) 5 registrars

(4) Project secretary.

It is my impression that the above listed would have to be included if the "floating registrars" are going to be effective.

I think there is justification for 10 canvassers or Task Force workers in an area that has 11 towns in it. And needless to say, the registrars would be the backbone of the drive.

Some Budgetary Considerations

Orginally, the budget for this project was $7,090.00. Thad and John Edwards trimmed it to $3,800.00 at the Jackson, Mississippi seminar. After discussing it further with John Edwards, Rev. Ward, and Mr. Shepard, we arrived at a figure of $3,450.00. With this figure the proposed expenditures look thus:

(1)	Director	8 weeks @ $50/wk	$ 400.00
(2)	10 Task Force Workers	8 weeks @ $15/wk	1,200.00
(3)	5 Registrars	8 weeks @ $2/hr for 9 hours per week	720.00
(4)	1 Secretary	8 weeks @ $35/wk	280.00
(5)	Transportation		300.00
(6)	Office		400.00
(7)	Printing and Supplies		150.00
			$ 3,450.00

I made it clear to Rev. Ward and Mr. Shepard that we could not give them $3,850. We would expect them to do some fund-raising on the local level to supplement our grant to them. They indicated that they would be willing to raise come funds and I think we should hold them to this.

Recommendations

I am recommending this group for funding with the understanding that they are going to do some fund-raising at the local level. Accordingly, I think we should give priority to the director's salary, Task Force Workers, Registrars, and transportation. I think the community should be responsible for the secretary, the office (Mr. Shepard is a realtor) and the printing and supplies. The concept of self-determination begins with the reluctant realization that its achievement involves a long, arduous process of economic suffering. s

HOKE COUNTY

Background

Hoke County is primarily a rural county. It has only one incorporated area (Raeford) and consists mostly of people who are dependent on the farm industry for a living. And that means there are not very many well-to-do people in the county.

Politically, there is a Negro VAP of approximately 3,000 people. No one is currently registered due to the periodic registration procedures oprative in the county. As of March 30 (when registration begins), the county will go into a permanent system of registration. This period of registration will extend into April 20 and residents of the county will be able to register on Saturdays from 9 - 6 and during the week if the county registration board agress to this arrangement. (There has been a problem of non-ccoperation on the part of the chief registrar and the County Executive Committee with the black community.)

In terms of political participation in Hoke County, there has been only one Negro to run for political office--- the board of education. Approximately 900 Negroes voted in the last election (1966) and for the most part there has been complacency where there has been no discrimination.

Black people hold no appointive jobs in Hoke County although there are some appointed to the Jury Commission and the Selective Service Board. I was told that nothing is bright in this area.

There is only one active organization in the county---the NAACP. Their proposal to us is a timely document which begs of action that will deal with the chasms of political inertia in the black community.

Proposed Registration and Voter Education Drive

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February 5, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to North Carolina

Following is a report of a field trip to North Carolina on February 1-2, 1968, for purposes of reviewing three groups for possible VEP funding. These groups were the NAACP-Raleigh Citizens Association in Raleigh, the Hoke County NAACP in Raeford, and the Scotland County NAACP in Laurinburg. Each had submitted proposals to us, the latter two through W. C. Patton of the NAACP. Results of my investigation and recommendations pertaining to the above are herein included. Also included are my impressions of a meeting I attended with John Edwards of NCVEP (who, I might add accompained me on this trip), of the Poor People's Organization of Cumberland County.

RALEIGH - WAKE COUNTY

Background

The Raleigh-Wake County area has a Negro VEP of at least 23,000. Approximately 12,000 are registered. In the city of Raleigh proper there is a VEP of about 13,000 with approximately 8,000 registered. These figures then indicate that the county has a Negro registration of about 52%.

The county area has 11 incorporated towns in it. From this area black people have run for the legislature, city councils, and the county commission. Only two city council candidates have ever been elected. This was in Raleigh where some blacks hold the appointive positions of assistant municipal judge and Neighborhood Youth Corps director. In other areas of political participation, the picture is not bright at all.

Registration Drive Proposed

The Raleigh Citizens Association and the Raleigh Branch of the NAACP propose to conduct an eight-week voter registration drive to register more Negroes before the Democratic primary of May 8. This federated effort is heartening and from all indications, is genuine. I talked with two representatives of these two groups on February 1.

Reverend Charles Ward, Mr. James Shepard, John Edwards and I discussed the proposed drive to ascertain the needs and capabilities of the two groups. From this discussion I learned that:

(1) The registration deadline is April 12;

(2) In addition to regular 9-5 weekday hours, registrars can move around the county for registration after 5:00 p.m. and on weekends;

(3) The only active organizations in the area are the two groups that submitted their proposal to us;

(4) The primary tactical procedure to be employed will be the "floating registrars" working in the evenings and on weekends at places and times designated by the two sponsoring organizations.

Personnel to be Used

The personnel to be used in this drive are:

(1) project director

(2) 10 canvassers

(3) 5 registrars

(4) Project secretary.

It is my impression that the above listed would have to be included if the "floating registrars" are going to be effective.

I think there is justification for 10 canvassers or Task Force workers in an area that has 11 towns in it. And needless to say, the registrars would be the backbone of the drive.

Some Budgetary Considerations

Orginally, the budget for this project was $7,090.00. Thad and John Edwards trimmed it to $3,800.00 at the Jackson, Mississippi seminar. After discussinggit further with John Edwards, Rev. Ward, and Mr. Shepard, we arrived at a figure of $3,450.00. With this figure the proposed expenditures look thus:

(1)	Director	8 weeks @ $50/wk	$ 400.00
(2)	10 Task Force Workers	8 weeks @ $15/wk	1,200.00
(3)	5 Registrars	8 weeks @ $2/hr for 9 hours per week	720.00
(4)	1 Secretary	8 weeks @t$35/wk	280.00
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(6)	Office		400.00
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I made it clear to Rev. Ward and Mr. Shepard that we could not give them $3,880. We would expect them to do some fund-raising on the local level to supplement our grant to them. They indicated that they would be willing to raise come funds and I think we should hold them to this.

Recommendations

I am recommending this group for funding with the understanding that they are going to do some fund-raising at the local level. Accordingly, I think we should give priority to the director's salary, Task Force Workers, Registrars, and transportation. I think the community should be responsible for the secretary, the office (Mr. Shepard is a realtor) and the printing and supplies. The concept of self-determination begins with the reluctant realization that its achievement involves a long, arduous process of economic suffering.

HOKE COUNTY

Background

Hoke County is primarily a rural county. It has only one incorporated area (Raeford) and consists mostly of people who are dependent on the farm industry for a living. And that means there are not very many well-to-do people in the county.

Politically, there is a Negro VAP of approximately 3,000 people. No one is currently registered due to the periodic registration procedures oprative in the county. As of March 30 (when registration begins), the county will go into a permanent system of registration. This period of registration will extend into April 20 and residents of the county will be able to register on Saturdays from 9 - 6 and during the week if the county registration board agress to this arrangement. (There has been a problem of non-ccoperation on the part of the chief registrar and the County Executive Committee with the black community.)

In terms of political participation in Hoke County, there has been only one Negro to run for political office--- the board of education. Approximately 900 Negroes voted in the last election (1966) and for the most part there has been complacency where there has been no discrimination.

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Mr. Joseph J. Borne
c/o Mr. George Clark
Route 1, Box 688-E
Reserve, Louisiana 70084

Dear Mr. Borne:

On behalf of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, I congratulate you on your impressive victory in the recent Louisiana election. Your election is certainly a source of pride and challenge to you as a Negro elected official.

To assist you in meeting this challenge, we urge you to attend our Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials on Friday and Saturday, March 1-2, 1968. The Institute will be held at the Roosevelt Hotel, 123 Batonne Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, under the sponsorship of the Voter Education Project.

This Institute will provide instruction and guidance on the problems of serving as an elected official in Louisiana. Competent resource persons from Louisiana and other states will conduct workshops and attempt to answer any questions you may have concerning your particular office. In short, the Institute is designed to help you meet the challenges of elective office.

Your automobile expenses to and from New Orleans will be paid at the rate of 8¢ oer mile. Meals and hotel accommodations will be provided for you at the Roosevelt Hotel, free of charge.

Please return the enclosed acceptance card in the stamped self-addressed envelope as soon as possible. We are looking forward to seeing you in New Orleans on Friday morning, March 1, at 8:30 a.m.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

February 5, 1968

Mr. Norman Hill
Associate Director
A. Philip Randolph Educational Fund
217 West 125th Street
New York, New York 10027

Dear Norman:

In response to your letter of January 4, regarding my participation in the first discussion series with Young Militants the weekend of March 19, I am sorry to say that I cannot attend. I would like to suggest; however, two persons on my staff who I think would benefit immeasurably to participate in the Young Militants Conference, Weldon Rougeau, field director of the VEP, and Thad Olive, administrative assistant of the VEP. Both are excellent young men who will bring much to the discussion, based on their experiences throughout the South with VEP and their prior relationship to the movement in a related area. I trust that it will be possible to invite them to this meeting.

In the meantime, please save a spot for me on the next series in any way that you would like to have me.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 5, 1968

Mr. F. Malcolm Cunningham
Chairman
Palm Beach County Voters League
600 Rosemary Avenue
West Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest ro importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receibing your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

VIA AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

February 5, 1968

Mrs. Dixie Moon
Metropolitan Applied Research
  Center, Inc.
330 West 58th Street, Suite 16-F
New York, New York 10019

Dear Mrs. Moon:

Enclosed is a copy of the proof of Dr. Clark's speech. We are holding up printing until we get confirmation from you and Dr. Clark that it is OK.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl. - 1.
The Present Dilemma of the Negro

February 5, 1968

Mr. Will C. Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council
 on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

Congratulations on the write up about your position paper in Trends in Housing. And thanks for sending me a copy.

Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

P. 4.

February 6, 1968

Mrs. Philip Livingston
1718 Minnekahda dr., N.W.
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Jean:

The enclosed clipping of your TV meeting on "Does Public Welfare Perpetuate Poverty?" sounds great, and we would like to have a copy of the script or tape - whatever- if available. Naturally, the Council would expect to defray any expenses.

By the way, how are you? It's too bad that we don't live any closer to one another, as it would be fun to be able to talk with you-all more than the brief cocktail party stuff.

Cordially,

Bernice S. Morrison (Mrs.H.H.)
Librarian

February 6, 1968

Mr. Frank Adams
The Virginia Council on
Human Relations
17 East Cary Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Frank:

Sending a book to Dr. Buni today. Thanks very much for thinking of a review in the *Observer*.

Hope all goes well with you.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

cc: RV

Invoice Rec'd: __________
Check No: __________
Mailed: __________

February 6, 1968

The American Academy of
Political Science
3937 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 10104

RE: March renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please continue our subscription for another year, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

February 6, 1968

Mr. Christopher Edley
Program Officer-in-Charge
Government and Law
The Ford Foundation
320 E. 43rd Street
New York, New York

Dear Chris:

Enclosed are three copies of our revised budget. I shall be available to discuss this further with Cliff and Basil at their convenience.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 3.

February 6, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
306 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Ken:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $128.84 to cover the expenses outlined in your letter of February 5 for attendance by you and Mr. Hall at the Ford Foundation review in Atlanta, January 23. This includes the airfares for both at $51.87 each. $1.75 taxi fare for you, $1.35 parking for Mr. Hall, and $12.00 for his 150 miles of auto travel.

By all means Powell's travel to the Jackson airport should always be included in his expenses, as far as we are concerned. Actually, I am just sorry we can't legally pay him a more realistic mileage rate. He told me a little about the treatment he had received from his Conference because of his participation in human relations affairs. I don't see how he gets along on a "minimum salary appointment" at all -- and I certainly don't see how he does it without being bitter.

All is well, considering the circumstances.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES:cl

February 6, 1968

Mr. Ed Chasteen, Ph.D.
Research Associate
Institute for Community Studies
2300 Holmes
Kansas City, Missouri 64108

Dear Dr. Chasteen:

We were most gratified to receive your letter of February 1st concerning the possibility of your replicating our youth study.

To answer your questions in the order you posed them:

1. We are enclosing a copy of our coding sheet and coding instructions.

2. In regard to instructions to the school personnel who distributed the questionnaire, sample methods varied from school to school. In those schools where it was possible, we used homeroom classes. In schools which did not use the homeroom system, we selected classes in required subjects. In one school, where neither of the above methods seemed appropriate, we chose every 5th, 10th and 20th student depending on the number of students and the percentage of the school's population in each grade.

3. The students completed the questionnaires in class. Pretesting indicated that the time required ranged from 25 to 50 minutes depending on the age class level, etc.

4. All questionnaires were physically recovered. Very few were completely blank, all but about 15 were considered useable. However, we used questionnaires which had not been completely filled out, if it appeared that the student had merely run out of time.

5. The five (5) schools in our sample are, for all practical purposes, completely segregated. There may be 1 or 2 white children in each student body. There are several integrated (or transitional) high schools in the Atlanta area. We did not use any of those schools for a number of reasons which relate to the after effects of _de jure_ segregation, the current effects of _de facto_ segregation and the recent development of ghettoization as a process in Southern cities. While all that seems very vague, a more thorough discussion of our reasoning would occupy far too much space.

If it seems useful in the course of your study, we may be able to provide you with a set of our punched cards, since there is a great deal of data on the cards which were not incorporated in the final report.

I hope this information is useful to you. If you have any further questions or need any further data, please do not hesitate to write me.

Sincerely,

William Farmar
Assistant Director
Project on Crime & Corrections

BF/vmb

February 6, 1968

Mr. Morris Schiff
P. O. Box 2097
Lakeland, Florida 38803

Dear Mr. Schiff:

In Mr. Anthony's absence from the office due to illness, he has asked me to respond to your letter of February 2nd.

Mr. Anthony expresses his regrets that he, nor any other member of the Council staff, cannot be present for your Brotherhood Week celebration. It so happens that a very important meeting is scheduled for that period which will involve all of our staff people.

You might wish to consider inviting one of our Board members from the Florida area to attend in Mr. Anthony's place. Should that be the case, I am enclosing a list of those persons.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosure - 1.

1. Mr. Bradford D. Ansley, Jr.
(Businessman)
7501 Midnight Pass Road
Sarasota, Florida 33581

2. Mr. I. H. Burney
(Insurance Executive)
Box 2140
Jacksonville, Florida 32203

3. Mr. Herbert M. Davidson
(Editor and Publisher)
Daytona Beach News-Journal
Daytona Beach, Florida 32014

4. The Reverend Caxton Doggett
Hyde Park Methodist Church
Platt at Cedar and Magnolia
Tampa, Florida

5. The Rev. Theodore R. Gibson
Christ Episcopal Church
P. O. Box 6
Cocoanut Grove Station
Miami, Florida 33130

6. Mr. George Lewis, II
(President)
The Lewis State Bank
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

7. Mr. William H. Maness
(Attorney)
603 Florida Theatre Building
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

8. Dr. H. Franklin Williams
Dean of the University College
The University of Miami
Coral Gables, Florida

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February 6, 1968

Mr. Alex Alford
Chairman
Progressive Democrats
P. O. Box 412
Georgetown, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Alford:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Progressive Democrats for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Georgetown County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,200.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from February 9 to April 5, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. Yourand other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. Yourshould strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: James Felder

February 6, 1968

Miss Ruth L. Harvey
Attorney and Counselor at Law
453 South Main Street
Danville, Virginia 24541

Dear Miss Harvey:

In Mr. Jordan's letter of February 6, he indicated that I would contact you with regard to my coming to the Fifth Congressional District for an evaluation of your proposed program. Becuase of a prior committment and the necessity of expeditiously evaluating your program, Mr. Thaddeus Olive, Mr. Jordan's administrative Assistant, will visit you in my stead.

Mr. Olive has tentatively scheduled February 12 as the date he will visit your community. Please contact him for a confirmation of this date.

I hope to meet you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

cc: Thaddeus Olive
Vernon Jordan

February 6, 1968

Miss Laura Dubester
6531 Elgin Lane
Bethesda, Maryland 20034

Dear Miss Dubester:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 13. It is indeed wonderful to know that you are interested in employment with the Voter Education Project.

In order that we may properly evaluate your potential we would need a resume.

We appreciate your interest and thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
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VEJ:mlj

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Miss V. Carolyn Thorne
81 Allen Temple Court, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Thorne:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your application for employment.

Presently there are no positions available. However, we are placing your application on file for further purposes. At such time as there is an opening, you will be notified.

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February 6, 1968

Miss Ruth L. Harvey
Attorney and Counselor at Law
453 South Main Street
Danville, Virginia 24541

Dear Ruth:

Thanks for your letter of January 29 and your proposal for a voter registration campaign in the Fifth Congressional District of Virginia.

In order that we may more adequately evaluate your program, we have asked our Field Director, Mr. Rougeau, to contact you as to the most convenient time for him to make a field trip to your area.

The Project will be happy to do whatever we can in support of your program.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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cc: Weldon J. Rougeau

February 6, 1968

Mr. I. DeQuincy Newman
Field Director
South Carolina Conference of Branches
P. O. Box 1148
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Dear Brother Newman:

Thanks for your thoughtfulness in sharing the New York *Times* announcement of the death of former Federal Judge Waring with us.

We noted the NAACP's Memorial for Judge Waring. The Judge's contributions merited this type of publicity and more.

Thanks again for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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cc: RV

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February 7, 1968

Circulation Department
The Los Angeles Times
Los Angeles, California

RE: March 26 renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please continue our subscription to your paper for one year, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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February 7, 1968

Mr. Robert L. Terrell
The New York Post
75 West Street
New York, New York 10006

Dear Bob:

Thank you for the offer to do a piece for NEW SOUTH on black consciousness. It sounds damned interesting, and, I think, entirely appropriate for our audience. It will have to be on speculation because we don't (in the shameful way of little magazines) give advances, but unless you muck it up in a way to bring down shame on the entire George C. McMillan School of Journalism and Applied Arts, I don't see why we won't be able to use it in the spring issue. Three weeks from now would be plenty of time for us on it.

I'll look forward to seeing it. And I've turned over the carbons of the poems to Bob Anderson from whom surely you will be hearing shortly.

Best wishes.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

February 7, 1968

Race Relations Law Reporter
P. O. Box 6156
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

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The Citizens' Council, Inc.
315-25 Plaza Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39205

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February 7, 1968

Reservation Clerk
Roosevelt Hotel
Madison Avenue & 45th Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Sir:

Please reserve single rooms for the two persons listed below as indicated:

Mr. Moreland G. Smith:

3 nights - February 12, 13, 14 (late arrival)

Mr. Paul Anthony

2 nights - February 13 - 14.(late arrival).

Please wire collect if requested space is not available.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

Same letter sent to the fifteen Urban League Executives
in Southern Region per Clarence Coleman letter 2/2/68

February 7, 1968

Mr. Harold N. Arnold
Executive Director
Atlanta Urban League
239 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Arnold:

At the suggestion of Mr. Clarence Coleman and on behalf of the A. Philip Randolph Institute and the Southern Regional Council, Mr. Bayard Rustin and I would like to invite you to an important conference in Atlanta February 23 - 25. Some four hundred persons from throughout the region are being invited.

Enclosed is a statement on the purpose of this meeting and other information.

We urge you to make every effort to be with us and contribute to these deliberations.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

Enclosures

February 7, 1968

Mr. Isaac Garritt, Jr.
c/o Mr. Emile Ricard
Route 3, Box 11-B
Vacherie, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Garritt:

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c/o Mr. Emile Ricard
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Mr. Roland Adams
c/o Mr. George Clark
Route 1, Box 688-E
Reserve, Louisiana 70084

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c/o Olton Scott
Route 5-A, Box 818
St. Francisville, La.

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Route 3, Box 11-B
Vacherie, Louisiana

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c/o Mr. Emmett J. Douglas
911 St. Mary Street
New Roads, Louisiana 70760

Dear Mr. Nelson:

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Attorney Louis Berry
1406 Ninth Avenue
Alexandria, Louisiana 71031

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Miss Louella Leonard
c/o Mr. Emmett J. Douglas
911 St. Mary Street
New Roads, Louisiana 70760

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c/o Mr. Emmet J. Douglas
911 St. Mary Street
New Roads, Louisiana 70760

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Mr. Anderson Yancy
517 Park Avenue
Franklin, Louisiana 70538

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Mr. Leonard Tardy
517 Park Avenue
Franklin, Louisiana 70538

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Mr. Whitmore Gordan
c/o Mr. George Clark
Route 1, Box 688-E
Reserve, Louisiana 70084

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Route 1, Box 688-E
Reserve, Louisiana 70084

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Mr. Morris Barns
c/o 1520 North Market Street
Opelousas, Louisiana 70570

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517 Park Avenue
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Mr. Clarence Townes
Special Assistant to the Chairman
Republican National Committee
1625 Eye Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20026

Dear Clarence:

The VEP is forwarding you, under separate cover, a copy of "Climbing Jacob's Ladder," an SRC book publication, written by Pat Watters and Reese Cleghorn. The book is primarily about the first, and to some extent, the second VEP. The story it tells is, I am sure, of great interest to you and your work.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
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February 7, 1968

Dear Josephine:

Shirley had me straightening out the book shelves the other day and in so doing, I began rambling through some papers that I have saved over the years. Among them I found your poem written for me when I took leave of absence from SRC in 1965.

I thought you might like to have a copy for your safe keepings of the poem that you wrote to the only man that has ever stood you up. (Smile)

Sincerely,

VEJ:nm

Miss Josephine Wilkins
The Atlanta Biltmore
Atlanta, Georgia

February 7, 1968

Mr. Louis Martin
Deputy Chairman for Minorities
The Democratic National Committee
2600 Virginia Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20037

Dear Louis:

The VEP is forwarding you, under separate cover, a copy of "Climbing Jacob's Ladder," an SRC book publication, written by Pat Watters and Reese Cleghorn. The book is primarily about the first, and to some extent, the second VEP. The story it tells is, I am sure, of great interest to you and your work.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 7, 1968

Miss Arnita Thurston
2400 16th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Arnita:

I talked with the Urban Coalition office today and was sorry to learn that you were indisposed after being hospitalized for a short time. This note comes to say "cheer up and get well in a hurry" so that you can keep your date with me for an early afternoon drink.

I trust that you are convalescing and in good spirits, and will be about the brother's business before too long.

Brst wishes for a speedy recovery.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 7, 1968

Mr. Franklin E. White
Legal Defense Fund
10 Columbus Circle
New York, New York 10019

Dear Mr, White:

The illness of my wife and the pressure of office work made it impossible for me to attend the Fort Lauderdale Lawyers Conference. I am therefore returning the round trip ticket, and check in the amount of $20.00 for incidental expenses.

I regret very much that I could not attend the meeting but circumstances were just beyond my control. I am sure it was a very successful meeting.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

P. S. Please acknowledge receipt of ticket and Check No. 22819.

cc: Mr. Jack Greenberg

February 8, 1968

Mr. John P. Sisson
Southern Field Service
National Catholic Conference
for Interracial Justice
8107 Palm Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70125

Dear Jack:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter from Dr. Spiegel. It was good seeing you here the other day. Come to see us more often.

Best regards.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 8, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Janet Smith

FROM: Marvin Wall

As discussed, the threesstatewide VEP directors would like to be placed on the SRC mailing list for "New South" and any other publications. The addresses are as follows:

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125½ Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

The Reverend Benjamin Gringge
Director
Arkansas Voter Education Project
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas72206

FIELD TRIP - BROWNSVILLE, TENNESSEE
MEETING - WEST TENNESSEE SELF-HELP DEVELOP[illegible] CORPORATION
Thad Olive - February 8, 1968

The purpose of the trip was to attend the called board meeting of the West Tennessee Self-Helf Development, Inc. The meeting was presided over by Mr. Thomas Mason, Chairman. The West Tennessee Self-Help Development, Inc. Board is composed of five representatives from the participating counties: Tipton, Lauderdale, Haywood, Fayette and Hardman. The primary purpose of the organization is to improve the economic and political lot of blacks and hopefully poor whites in West Tennessee. Baxton calls it a "coalition of the poor."

Three items composed the agenda:

1) The selection of representatives to go to Washington, D. C. to visit their congressmen and meet with various department representatives concerning programs for West Tennessee. The necessary arrangements were made by Baxton Bryant, Executive Director, Tennessee Council on Human Relations. The trip is scheduled for February 13.

2) Baxton then introduced the staff members representing VEP. Our visit grew out, according to our introduction, of a concern of the West Tennessee Self-Help

Develppment, Inc.'s realization that to be more effective, more citizens must be registered. A brief explanation of the past history of VEP was given along with a detailed explanation of: a) guidelines, and b) reporting requirements, both financial and statistical. A brief question and answer period followed We left copies of our guidelines and suggested that board members go back and discuss the idea in their respective counties and then submit a proposal.

3) John Hardy, representing the Tennessee Office of Economic Opportunity, discussed briefly other programs that are of concern to the poor.

After the meeting was adjourned, much wholesome discussion resulted.

A point that caused considerable embarassment concerned the A. Philip Randolph - SRC Meeting, February 23-25. Every person that talked with us had been invited. They all wanted to know more about the meeting. We could only strongly recommend that if possible they come, but they insisted on some explanation of program content.

These persons represented "grassroots" people and organizations and could profit immeasurably from the meeting. If possible, I would suggest that some follow-up communications BE MADE TO THOSE PERSONS WHO HAVE ACCEpted.

The next morning was spent in the Branch Office of the Memphis NAACP. It was our pleasure to meet the affable Executive Director, Maxine Smith, the President of the local Branch, Mr. J. H. Turner and the Regional Youth Director, Carolyn Quillion.

February 8, 1968

Mr. Oscar McCloud
Suite 1418
40 Marietta Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Oscar:

Attached is a copy of our bill from Paschal's for the Southern Interagency Conference meeting, February 1-2.

As I have noted on the copy, I collected $20.00 from persons attending to help defray cost of the refreshments at the social hour. That leaves a balance due of $58.85.

I believe our agreement was that SRC would split that cost with your office. If your recollection is not to the contrary, we would appreciate your sending your half, payable to SRC, whenever you are good and ready.

Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/rh

Enclosure

February 8, 1968

AIR MAIL

Dr. Joseph P. Witherspoon
School of Law
University of Texas
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Dr. Witherspoon:

Herewith is a copy of the draft statement of aims for the proposed "Southwest Council of La Raza." Except that it is proposed as a Mexican-American organization, rather than a multi-ethnic agency, it seems to be similar in purpose and function to the sort of council we have been discussing.

At any rate, I thought you would like to see what is being proposed. As you know, I will be going to Denver to meet with them on Saturday, February 10, and will of course give you a report.

I have talked to Reese Cleghorn to tell him that he will receive an invitation to be a workshop leader at the Austin conference and to urge him to accept. I believe he will. So far I have not reached Al Kehrer, who is out of town.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

JES/rh

Enclosure

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
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5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

February 8, 1968

Reading File

Mr. K. B. M. Crooks
Regional Office
National Urban League
Suite 242
136 Marietta Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Ken:

Please add the following person to the membership list of the Atlanta chapter of NAIRO:

Mr. Robert Alexander
Room 161
50 Seventh Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Bob Alexander is a member of NAIRO who is on the staff of the HEW Civil Rights regional office. He formerly was executive director of the Houston Council on Human Relations. He recently was moved from New Orleans to Atlanta and is eager to be active in NAIRO here.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/rh

cc: Robert Alexander

February 9, 1968

Mr. Donald Harris
138 Washington Street
Dorchester, Massachusetts 02121

Mr. Harry Huge
Arnold and Porter
1229 Nineteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Mr. Julian Bond
162 Eurahlee Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Don, Harry and Julian:

I am very sorry for this long delay in getting the attached, confused and disorganized memorandum to you. However, I hope that it might give you some idea of my own interest and concern at this time.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosure

MEMORANDUM   February 9, 1968

This is not a proposal but rather my opinion of what a new agency might consider doing to effectuate a greater degree of social, economic and political change in the rural areas of the South as well as the urban centers of the North and South.

In the first place there is a need for an agency with a skilled staff that would be available to serve the needs of individuals and groups working in the whole areas of human development and planing. Such an agency should be in a position to provide people with certain resources to help them help themselves. To put it another way the proposed agency, or organization, would also serve as an instrument to organize local people into a viable force, so that they may be able to use their economic and political power to influence the policies and practices of both the private and public sector of our society.

In addition, the functions of the organization or agency would be as follows:

-- help community organizations and national groups develop specific program proposals for assistance from private and public agencies.

-- provide the tools with which indigenous people can indentify and analyze their problems and needs in a systimatic manner.

-- make available to local groups ~~and~~ community organizers and skilled consultants in such areas as health, education, recreation and employment, or the general area of planning and community development.

-- encourage and strengthen local organizations and their leadership.

-- conduct a training program for local groups. The areas of concern would include civil rights, community organization, labor, citizenship education, public welfare, urban and rural problems.

It is possible with the necessary financial resources to bring together a cadre of young, talented, competent guys and gals to work in this whole area. Many of these young people who are now with the government and big business would like to get involved in something that is a little more meaningful and creative.

February 9, 1968

Miss Phyllis Conklin
Assistant Director
The Virginia Council on Human Relations
17 East Cary Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Miss Conklin:

Enclosed is a list of the current SRC professional staff members.

Thank you for the home address of Carl Auvil, President of the VCHR.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Carolyn Lockhart'
Secretary to Mr. Stanfield

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February 9, 1968

Dr. Edward Renwick
Louisiana State University, New Orleans
Department of Government
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Ed:

Thanks so much for accepting our invitation to address the Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials on March 1st at 10:00 a. m., at the Roosevelt Hotel. The topic for your discussion is, "Louisiana Government: Past and Present." In dealing with this topic I hope you will, as you indicated on the telephone, give your own ideas about the politics of the state and its relationship to Negroes.

To give you some idea as to past seminars, we have conducted, enclosed are copies of agendas of past programs. If these give you any ideas please share them with us.

May I reiterate our interest in having you with us throughout the Institute. We will be very interested in your evaluation of our effort.

For your services and your time, the VEP will pay you a modest honorarium.

If you have any further questions, please let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project

February 9, 1968

MEMO TO: BCC

FROM: NM

Please forward to Rev. Otis Moss ~~fixxxxfxxxur~~ one copy each of our five most recent New South magazine. Label attached

Thanks

February 9, 1968

The Reverend Otis Moss
430 Clinton Springs
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Otis:

Unfortunately, Marian Wright and I could not keep our promise to hear your sermon "This I know," the day we saw you at Paschal's. The urgency of the "Friends of The Children of Mississippi" had us doing the Lord's work, but kept us from hearing His word. Reports from all over town however are that you did real good.

In response to your request, we are enclosing some materials about the Voter Education Project, and are forwarding under separate cover some back issues of the New South. Tell Edwina to be sure and look through the VEP materials, which I am sure she will find interesting as the former custodian of VEP funds granted to SCLC

It was good seeing you, if only briefly. My warmest regards to Edwina and best wishes to the children.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
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February 9, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear John:

We are running short of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" so I am sending you only one carton. Also I am sending you one carton of "Know Your Rights" which will be, I believe, around 650 copies. If this isn't enough let me know and we will break up another carton and send you some more.

Keep in touch and say hello to Bill Towe for me.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 9, 1968

Mr. Nicholas C. Chriss
Los Angeles Times Bureau
807 Chronicle Building
512 Travis Street
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Nick:

Belatedly I have looked up your article of December 31, 1967 about Texas voter registration. It's the best wrapup I have seen on the Texas registration situation. If we can help you in any way, let us know.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 9, 1968

Mrs. R. S. Isenstein
0031 Rudd Avenue
Auburn, Alabama 26830

Dear Mrs. Isenstein:

I am glad to hear that the second film is being put to use. Please feel free to keep it as long as necessary. You may be hearing soon from some people in West Macon County who might want to use it in their citizenship education program. I have passed the invoice along to Thad Olive. Best wishes to you and the Auburn League.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 9, 1968

Mr. Henry Munoz, Jr.
Director
Equal Opportunity Department
Texas AFL-CIO
Box MM, Capitol Station
308 West 11th
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Mr. Munoz:

Thank you very much for checking our list of Texas Negro elected officials. I remember very pleasantly meeting you at the youth conference several summers ago in Austin. Best wishes to you in your work.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 9, 1968

Mr. John Brooks
NAACP Voter Registration Committee
301 East Clay Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Mr. Brooks:

John Edwards brought to me the Xerox copy of the table showing the results of the purge of the voters list in Richmond. However I failed to take down the figures that you told me about white and Negro registration in Richmond before and after the purge. If you could jot these figures down and send them to me I would very much appreciate it. Some indication of what the racial breakdown was prior to the Voting Rights Act also would be appreciated. As you know, Virginia figures are pretty hard to come by down here.

It was a great pleasure seeing you at Paschal's. I had thought that you would come by the office the next day. If you did, I missed seeing you. I hope you will come back again soon.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 9, 1968

Mr. Chandler Davidson
Center for Research in Social Change
and Economic Development
Rice University
Houston, Texas 77001

Dear Mr. Davidson:

In accordance with your request we are sending you 1967 registration figures and an analysis of the 1966 elections in the South, plus a special analysis of the 1966 Alabama primary. We are gathering registration information for 1968 but at this time we do not have it prepared for publication. If we can be of further service please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

February 9, 1968

Mr. Roy R. Evans
Secretary Treasurer
Texas AFL-CIO
303 West 11th Street
Box MM, Capitol Station
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Mr. Evans:

Thank you very much for your note to Mr. Jordan about the Texas registration deadline. We will note the correction in our next issue and I very much appreciate your calling our attention to it.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 9, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Janet Smith

FROM: Marvin Wall

We can handle this for the VEP newsletter, but what do you want to do about the "New South?"

February 9, 1968

Dr. Vivian Henderson
President
Clark College
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Viv:

This is to confirm your acceptance of our invitation to address the Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials at 12:00 noon on Friday, March 1, at the Roosevelt Hotel. We have assigned you the same topic that you had in Mississippi, "The Negro and Economic Security."

We are aware that you must catch a flight at 2:00. We are scheduling luncheon time so as to facilitate your travel plans.

For your services, VEP will take care of your travel expenses and pay you a modest honorarium.

Thanks so much for your help and interest.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 9, 1968

Dr. Daniel Thompson
Professor of Sociology
Dillard University
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

Dear Dan:

Thanks for your letter of February 5. I understand and respect your position and regret that I did not make myself clerer in our telephone conversation.

It is our hope, however, that your lecture, notwithstanding, you can be with us during the Institute. Your presence would mean much to us and we would be interested in your evaluation of our effort. Please let us know if you can attend.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 9, 1968

Dr. Albert W. Dent
President
Dillard University
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

Dear Al:

Thanks so much for accepting the responsibility of presiding at the dinner meeting of the Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials on Friday evening, March 1, at the Roosevelt Hotel. I think your presence and participation would lend much toward the success of this event.

To give you some idea of what we have tried to do in other programs of this kind, enclosed are the agendas of several meetings. If you have any questions and/or suggestions, please let me hear from you.

We plan to invite the Louisiana SRC Board members and their wives to the dinner meeting. If you have any additional suggestions of persons with an interest in our program, please let me know and I will be happy to extend them an invitation.

It is our hope that Mrs. Dent can be present and will share the head table with you that evening. Thanks again.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

cc: RV
Approved: PA
To be charged to: VEP
Requested by: MW

Check No.____________
Mailed:______________

February 12, 1968

Public Affairs Research Council
of Louisiana, Inc.
Box 2748
505 Commerce Bldg.
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Sirs:

Please enter a one-year subscription to your publication in the name of the Voter Education Project of Southern Regional Council, Inc.

Our check for $1.50 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs
Encl. - $1.50 check.

February 12, 1968

Miss Gail Miller
633 South Monroe
Hindsdale, Illinois 60521

Dear Miss Miller:

Please excuse my delay in answering your letter, but my delay has been because of illness and today is the first day I have been in the office this year.

For a copy of the Vine City Survey, you may write directly to the Vine City Foundation, Inc. They have put a little pamphlet together that explains the entire foundation. For more information, may I suggest you write:

Mrs. Helen Howard, Executive Director
Vine City Foundation, Inc.
588 Magnolia Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

I am enclosing a copy of, "Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis." This may help you some.

Thanks for writing us, and if we can be of further service. please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

February 12, 1968

Mr. Paul M. Gaston
Associate Professor
Corcoran Department of History
University of Virginia
B-20 Cabell Hall
Charlottesville, Virginia 22901

Dear Paul:

While your letter has no surprises, your decision is nevertheless a very real disappointment to me. My only consolation is that you will be devoting full time to some much needed work.

Our facilities and materials are, of course, available to you and I hope the year will give us an opportunity to work together quite a bit.

As for getting you on the payroll, perhaps later....

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 12, 1968

Dr. Joseph P. Witherspoon
Professor of Law
The University of Texas
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 98705

Dear Dr. Witherspoon:

Enclosed are the requested two photographs and a biographical data sheet. An extended illness has thrown me somewhat off schedule. However, I shall make every effort to prepare my remarks and send a copy of them to you in the very near future.

It sounds as if you are going to have an excellent meeting, and I look forward to being with you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 3.

February 12, 1968

Mr. Roger W. Heyns
Chancellor
University of California
Berkeley, California 94720

Dear Chancellor Heyns:

Thank you for your thoughtful invitation to take part in the symposium of March 24-26. I deeply regret that other commitments make it impossible for me to attend.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 12, 1968

Mrs. Audrey Wieman
Administrative Assistant
Consultative Center for Tulsa
The University of Oklahoma
Norman, Oklahoma 73069

Dear Mrs. Wieman:

This will confirm my attendance at your meeting on March 2nd. I shall arrive on the evening of the 1st, but it will not be necessary for anyone to meet me. I shall be in the lobby at 7:45 a.m., Saturday morning.

I look forward to being with you again.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 12, 1968

Mr. Sherwood Ross
101 "G" Street, S. W.
Washington, D. C. 20024

Dear Sherwood:

Thanks for the note and the information on your events. Should we need a Washington publicist you will be the first we will call on.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 12, 1968

Mr. David Scull
President
Turnpike Press
P. O. Box 170
Annandale, Virginia

Dear Dave:

Please forgive me the delay in responding to your note of the 23rd. Illness has had me out of circulation for a while.

The meeting was really planned rather quickly at the urging of Bayard Rustin who felt a sence of urgency in getting a statement of unity from a cross section of people in the region. All members of the Council were, of course, invited. Rustin, incidentally, wrote the Call.

Given your situation, I don't think it imperative that you make the effort to attend, although your contribution would be welcomed, and I'm sure helpful.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 12, 1968

Miss Katharine Taylor
41 Hawthorn Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Katharine:

After an extended absence from the office, your letter was the first thing to come to my attention this morning. The thoughtfulness and warmth of it was a good way to start the day, and I am very grateful.

I shall continue to hope that in time you can come for another visit. In the meantime, every good wish from all of us here.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1 (Official receipt)

February 12, 1968

Mrs. Joe R. Brewer
Box 314, Route 1
Scott, Arkansas 72142

Dear Vivian:

I, too, regret that you will be unable to attend the meeting.

Your contribution is thoughtful and very much appreciated.

My best to you both.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

February 12, 1968

Mrs. William Thomas Mason
2630 Chesterfield Boulevard
Norfolk, Virginia 23504

Dear Vivian:

Thanks for your willingness to serve. Later in the year we will be in touch with you about a date for the meeting of the Nominating Committee.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
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February 12, 1968

Mrs. Mable Dawson
1210 West Broad
Savannah, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Dawson:

Pursuant to your request, enclosed are copies of our guidelines. In order for us to evaluate your program we invite you to submit a proposal in keeping with these guidelines.

The Project will do whatever it can to support your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 12, 1968

Mr. Randolph McMillan
116 Willis Mill Road, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30311

Dear Randolph:

This brief note is to acknowledge receipt of your application.

Every effort will be made in your behalf, and at such time you will be notified.

If I can be of further service, let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 12, 1968

Miss Margaret Virginia Hollinshed
3006 Del Mar Lane
Apartment 5-L
Atlanta, Georgia 30311

Dear Miss Hollinshed:

Pursuant to your request by letter dated January 22, we can fill your request as soon as the speech is edited and re-typed.

Thank you so much for your kind expressions.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

VEP 68-7

February 12, 1968

Mr. Robert Ingram
President
Hancock County Democratic Club
718 New Street
Sparta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Ingram:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Hancock County Democratic Club to conduct a voter registration drive in Hancock County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from February 15 to April 11, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
(4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		250.00
Printing		30.00
		$ 1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The

Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

February 12, 1968

Miss Charlotte Roe
National Projects Director
United States Youth Council
236 East 46th Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Miss Roe:

Your cordial invitation for me to become a member of the national advisory committee for the voter education and registration program of the United States Youth Council pleases me very much and I accept with pleasure.

I am highly complemented at the opportunity to become associated with such a group.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 12, 1968

Dr. H. E. Tate
Executive Secretary
Georgia Teachers & Education Assn.
201 Ashby Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Dr. Tate:

Thanks so much for your kind invitation to the Annual Teacher of the Year Banquet on Friday evening, March 1. Due to a prior commitment, I regret that I am unable to attend. To that end, I am returning ticket No. 0741 and ticket No. 0775.

Thanks so much for asking me and best wishes for a successful banquet.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

February 12, 1968

Mrs. Virginia C. Lee
Librarian, Reference Department
Library
Columbus College
Columbus, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Lee:

As you requested we are enclosing a copy of "Know Your Georgia Government." Also enclosed are copies of the latest issues of our newsletter. We cannot furnish you with our first issues as our supply has been exhausted. We are happy to place your name on our mailing list for future issues of the newsletter and other materials.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

February 12, 1968

Mr. Chris White
Directorof Sales
Sales and Convention Offices
Roosevelt Hotel
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. White:

This is to confirm the arrangements made by Mr. Ernest Morial for a meeting sponsored by the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council on March 1-2, 1968. Please find enclosed a deposit of $500.00 for part of the expenses to be incurred.

I will be in New Orleans on Friday morning, February 16, and would like to discuss with you specific arrangements relating to food services, meeting rooms, etc. I hope to see you then.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

February 12.

MEMORANDUM

TO: RHV

FROM: TO

In Re: VEP State Directors Meeting - February 7, 1968

Ruth, Vernon would like for all expenses connected with the meeting of the state directors to be credited to Leadership Training, as a separate meeting. Thanks.

TO:mlj
cc: Vernon Jordan

February 12, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send one carton of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" and one carton of "Know Your Rights" to John Edwards. Labels are attached.

MANY THANKS.

February 12, 1968

Mr. Willie Brown
Quitman County Director
Post Office Box 117
Marks, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Brown:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 5. We are delighted to know that you are back in Marks.

Your proposal has been placed in our active file and at such time as we begin making grants, every consideration will be given to yours.

Thanks for writing.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

February 12, 1968

Mr. J. B. Drake
Director
Palmetto State Voters Association
P. O. Box 338
Bennettsville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Drake:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 3. All the funds allocated to your project have been sent to the South Carolina National Bank. Please check your records again.

We have made the following deposits:

11-13-67	Check No. 256	$ 375.00
11-17-67	Check No. 272	170.00
12-1-67	Check No. 304	121.01
12-12-67	Check No. 320	126.24
12-19-67	Check No. 357	95.00
12-20-67	Check No. 361	106.00
12-27-67	Check No. 363	138.60
1-3-68	Check No. 374	181.52
1-16-68	Check No. 379	60.00
1-16-68	Check No. 382	123.63
		$ 1,497.00

Mr. J. B. Drake - 2.
February 12, 1968

The original amount granted was $1,500.00. Please re-check your records. If we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

February 12, 1968

Mr. Thomas Mason
Chairman
West Tennessee Self-Help Development Corporation
Route 1, Box 229
Mason, Tennessee 38049

Dear Mr. Mason:

This brief note is to congratulate you and members of the West Tennessee Self-Help Development Corporation for the service that you are providing to your community and to thank you for allowing us the opportunity to discuss and explain our program to members of your Board of Directors.

If we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

TO:WJR:mlj

February 12, 1968

Mrs. Maxine A. Smith
Executive Secretary
Memphis Branch, NAACP
234 Hernando Street
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Maxine:

This brief note is to thank you for taking time out of your busy schedule to receive us. It was indeed wonderful meeting you in person, and the other members of your staff.

If we can be of further service, please let us know.

Again, thanks.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

TO:WJR:mlj

February 12, 1968

Mr. Bayard Rustin
Executive Director
A. Philip Rnadolph Institute
217 West 125th Street
New York, New York

Dear Bayard:

Enclosed is our check to re-imburse the Institute for your travel expenses incurred in connection with the Institute for Mississippi Elected Officials.

Again, thank you very much for your participation.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 12, 1968

Mr. Clinton L. Thornton
President
Bullock County Improvement Organization
Route 1, Box 100
Union Springs, Alabama

Dear Mr. Thornton:

This brief note is to call to your attention that our original deposit to the First National Bank, Union Springs, Alabama was for $550.00 and not $500.00 as recorded on your first weekly report. The balance at the end of the week ending January 29 should have been $343.32 instead of $293.32 as reported. Would you make this adjustment so that our books will balance.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) weekly report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 13, 1968

Mrs. Carole Taylor
Administrative Assistant
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Carole:

Thank you for sending all of the material pertaining to the annual meeting. I particularly enjoyed reading Will Campbell's speech and the staff report titled, "Beneath and Beyond Passive Acceptance."

I, too, am disappointed that not many people showed up from the nascent chapters. Some how it does not seem ~~it does not seem~~ too surprising however.

I don't believe the February 22 meeting will be another group therapy session, although when you consider the group, therapy might not be such a bad idea.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 13, 1968

Mr. Maclovio R. Barraza
United Steelworkers of America
2406 Miracle Mile
Tucson, Arizona 85701

Dear Mr. Barraza:

It was a real pleasure to meet you last week in Denver, and I considered it a privilege to have some small part in the beginning of the Southwest Council of La Raza.

I indicated at one point that I would send each member of the committee some copies of a brochure announcing the Conference on Human Relations and the Law that we are co-sponsoring with the University of Texas. They are enclosed, and if you cannot attend the conference yousself we would appreciate your sending a copy of the announcement to any friend or associate who might be interested.

Let me assure your again that we here at the Southern Regional Council are delighted with the development of the Southwest Council of La Raza and stand ready to render any assistance that we can.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

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February 13, 1968

Mr. Bert Corona, President
Mexican-American Political Assn.
3130 Park Boulevard
Oakland, California

Dear Mr. Corona:

It was a real pleasure to meet you last week in Denver, and I considered it a privilege to have some small part in the beginning of the Southwest Council of La Raza.

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Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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February 13, 1968

Mr. Alex Mercure, Director
Home Education Livelihood Program
828 Guadalupe Circle, N. W.
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87114

Dear Mr. Mercure:

It was a real pleasure to meet you last week in Denver, and I considered it a privilege to have some small part in the beginning of the Southwest Council of La Raza.

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Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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February 13, 1968

Mr. Will C. Campbell
Committee of Southern Churchmen
Post Office Box 12044
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Will:

I have just read, with great appreciation, your speech at the Arkansas Council on Human Relations meeting January 27.

This is just to thank you for what was, by appropriate terms, an amusing, moving, prophetic, and redemptive address. I also appreciate your helping out the Arkansas Council by being their speaker.

When do we get to see you again?

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 13, 1968

Mr. Albert A. Pena, Jr.
Commissioner Precinct No. 1
County of Bexar
San Antonio, Texas 78204

Dear Mr. Pena:

It was a real pleasure to meet you last week in Denver, and I considered it a privilege to have some small part in the beginning of the Southwest Council of La Raza.

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Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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February 13, 1968

Mr. Henry Santiestevan
Industrial Union Dept., AFL-CIO
815 - 16th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20506

Dear Mr. Santiestevan:

It was a real pleasure to meet you last week in Denver, and I considered it a privilege to have some small part in the beginning of the Southwest Council of La Raza.

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Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested by: Research Department

Check No.___________
Mailed:_____________

February 13, 1968

Conference on Ecnomic Progress
1001 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of Goals for Teachers' Salaries in Our Public Schools.

Our check for $1.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs
Encl. - $1.00 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested by: Research Dept.

Check No.______________
Mailed:________________

February 13, 1968

The University of North Carolina
Press
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27515

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of Community Power Structure by Floyd Hunter, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested by: Res. Dept.

Check No.________
Mailed:__________

February 13, 1968

International Publishers Associates
381 Park Avenue South
New York, New York 10016

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of The Autobiography of W. E. B. Du Bois, which will be published February 23.

Our check for $10.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $10.00 check.

February 13, 1968

Mr. William J. Meers
11 St. George Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02118

Dear Mr. Meers:

Thank you for writing to us again, as I suggested in September. Mr. Anthony has asked me to reply.

Unfortunately, we still have no suitable openings, and I know of none in Atlanta. Strangely, there are few openings in the intergroup relations field in Atlanta, for, although a number of public and private agencies have regional headquarters here, they ordinarily transfer experienced personnel from branch offices or affiliate organizations to Atlanta to fill vacancies.

Enclosed is a newsletter of the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials which has a page of employment announcements.

With all good wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enc.

February 13, 1968

Mr. Lee A. Black
342 Atlantic Street
Stanford, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Black:

Mr. Anthony asked me to send you a copy of the agenda and some other materials pertaining to our NAIRO conference on model cities.

Enclosed, in addition to an agenda, are copies of the request for regional conferences from Lloyd Davis, a letter and flyer from John Middleton announcing a similar conference in Oklahoma, and a copy of the HUD requirements with regard to citizen participation (which we sent our with our announcements).

I trust that you can glean from this material the purposes of the conference and perhaps a usable idea or two.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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February 13, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
306 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Ken:

I know that you will be particularly interested in the Conference on Human Relations and the Law that we are co-sponsoring with the University of Texas. Enclosed are six brochures announcing it, just in case the University failed to send you some directly.

I believe you would enjoy the conference and benefit from it. Some of your members or other associates might be interested, also, as there will be workshops for jurists, labor leaders, business men, churchmen, newsmen, city officials, and others.

Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

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February 13, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

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Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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February 13, 1968

Mrs. Patricia Miller
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Pat:

I know that you will be particularly interested in the Conference on Human Relations and the Law that we are co-sponsoring with the University of Texas. Enclosed are six brochures announcing it, just in case the University failed to send you some directly.

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Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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February 13, 1968

The Rev. John P. Murray
Executive Director
Houston Council on Human Relations
3505 South Main Street
Houston, Texas 77004

Dear Jack:

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Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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February 13, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Staff

FROM: Jim Wood

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Everyone has heard rumblings about the Joint Meeting of A. Philip Randolph Educational Fund and SRC to be held at the Biltmore Hotel February 23, 24, and 25. This memo serves as your invitation.

JNW/km

February 13, 1968

The Rev. J. Oscar McCloud
United Presbyterian Regional Office
First Federal Building, Suite 1418
40 Marietta Street, Northwest
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Oscar:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your check in the amount of $29.00 to cover one-half of the cost of the meeting rooms at Paschal's for the Southern Interagency Conference on February 1 and 2.

Please do not feel any chagrin about the confusion. One learns to expect confusion in this world!

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested for Research Department

Check No.__________
Mailed:____________

February 13, 1968

Louisiana State University Press
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, The Emergence of the New South, 1913-1945, by George B. Tindall.

Our check for $12.50 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs
Encl. - $12.50 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested by: Research Dept.

Check No.__________
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February 13, 1968

Center for the Study of
Democratic Institutions
The Fund for the Republic, Inc.
Box 4546
Santa Barbara, California 93103

Dear Sirs:

Please enter a one-year subscription to your new publication, The Center Magazine.

Our check for $10.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $10.00 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested for Research Dept.

Check No:__________
Mailed:__________

February 13, 1968

The New American Library, Inc.
P. O. Box 2310
Grand Central Station
New York, New York 10017

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of Children by Herbert Kohl.

Our check for $5.50 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $5.50 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested for Research Dept.

Check No:____________
Mailed:______________

February 13, 1968

Alfred A Knopf, Inc.
501 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, The Cross of Lassitude by Joan Colebrook.

Our check for $5.95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $5.95 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA

Invoice Rec'd:\____________ Amount:____________
Check No:__________________
Mailed:____________________

February 13, 1968

The John Hopkins Press
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, "The Negro and Apprenticeship" by R. Ray Marshall and Vernon M. Briggs, Jr., published by you in 1967.

Payment of the study will be made upon receipt of an invoice.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested for Research Dept.

Check No:___________
Mailed:____________

February 13, 1968

Paul S. Eriksson, Inc.
119 West 57th Street
New York, New York 10019

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Black Misery with text by Langston Hughes and drawings by Suzanne Heller.

Our check for $2.50 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $2.50 check.

cc: RV
Approved: VEJ
TO BE CHARGED TO VEP

Invoice Rec'd: ________
Amount: ______________
Check No: _____________
Mailed: ______________

February 13, 1968

The Washington Post
Subscription Department
1515 L Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Sirs:

Please enter a one-year subscription for the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., to be mailed in care of Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., effective immediately; Sunday and daily.

Payment will be made promptly upon receipt of an invoice.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

bc: VEJ, Jr.

cc: RV
Approved: PA

Check No:___________
Mailed:_____________

February 13, 1968

The American Management Association, Inc.
135 West 50th Street
New York, New York

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, "The Negro Salaried Worker" by Jack G. Gourley, which is your research study No. 70.

Our check for $4.50 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $4.50 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Research Dept.

Check No:________
Mailed:__________

February 13, 1968

The Saturday Review
380 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Sirs:

Please enter a subscription to the Saturday Review for us at the special price of $2.97 for 36 issues.

Our check is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $2.97 check.

February 13, 1968

Miss Charlotte Roe
National Projects Director
United States Youth Council
315 East 53rd Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Charlotte:

Thank you for sending the names for our newsletter mailing list. If you have any names to add as your project gets started we will be happy to include them.

Sincerely,

Margaret Jennings
Secretary
Voter Education Project

February 13, 1968

Miss Betsy Goldsmith
Secretary
"Frontlash - '68"
United States Youth Council
315 East 53rd Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Betsy:

I am enclosing all the photographs we have showing students working in voter registration drives. Where the pictures are not identified on the back, I have clipped a note explaining what group they are with and where they are working. As these are the only copies we have, we will appreciate getting them back as soon as you have finished with them. Also, we have had some bad luck in the past with mailing photographs so would like to remind you that they need cardboard backing when being mailed.

I hope the pictures will be useful and the VEP looks forward to seeing a copy of your brochure when it is completed.

Sincerely,

Margaret Jennings
Secretary
Voter Education Project

/mlj
Enclosure

February 13, 1968

Miss Pat Kimbriel
Christian Life Commission
Baptist General Convention of Texas
206 Baptist Building
Dallas 1, Texas

Dear Miss Kimbriel:

As you requested we are sending you 10 copies of "Know Your Rights." The invoice is being sent to you under separate cover.

Thank you for your order.

Sincerely,

Margaret Jennings
Secretary
Voter Education Project

February 13, 1968

Mr. P. B. McCoy
Chairman
Statewide Registration Committee
1021 Blackwell Street
Waycross, Georgia 31501

Dear Mr. McCoy:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 5. Pursuant to your request for financial assistance for the Eighth Congressional District, presently we are unable to comply with this request. However, if additional funds are available consideration will be given to your proposal.

If we can be of further service, let us know.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

February 13, 1968

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125½ Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Jimmy:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 5. Thanks for the information on George Brown.

Presently our plans for West Tennessee are not definite. However, in order that we may properly evaluate Mr. Brown's potential, would you ask him to submit a resume.

We appreciate your interest and thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
VoterEEducation Project

VEJ:mlj

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February 13, 1968

Mr. L. R. Sears
Chairman
Voter Education Campaign Committee
Lee County Branch, NAACP
2966 Anderson Avenue
Fort Myers, Florida

Dear Mr. Sears:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Lee County Branch, NAACP for a grant to coordinate programs of voter registration and citizenship education in Lee County, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from February 22 to April 18, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Salary	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Secretary's Salary	@ $25.00 per week	200.00
(4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		280.00
Office Supplies		65.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Office Rent		80.00
		$ 1,500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. Yourand other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: The Reverend Isadore Edwards, Jr.

February 13, 1968

The Reverend Ben Grinage
Arkansas Voter Education Project
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Ben:

Pursuant to your travel re-imbursement for the meeting of the VEP State Directors, a provision of our 1967 audit required us to revise our expense account form.

At your earliest convenience would you complete the enclosed form and forward it to us.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

Same letter to:

Dr. C. H. Thomas, Jr.
The Rev. A. I. Dunlap
Mr. R. J. Palmer
Mr. Elijah Coleman

February 14, 1968

Mrs. Mary Sand
1447 Granada Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

Dear Mrs. Sand:

As you undoubtedly know, February 6 was a historic day in Louisiana. On that day, 35 Negroes were elected to various offices in Louisiana ranging from State House of Representatives to members of the police jury. Most of these newly elected officials have had very little---if any---previous experience in the political process in Louisiana. For that reason the Voter Education Project is sponsoring a two-day Institute for these newly elected officials on Friday and Saturday, March 1 - 2, 1968 at the Roosevelt Hotel, 123 Baronne Street in New Orleans. This Institute will provide instruction and guidance on the problems of serving as an elected official in Louisiana.

On Friday evening at the Roosevelt Hotel, at 7:30 p.m., State Senator Barbara Jordan of Houston, Texas will address the Institute. As a board member of the Southern Regional Council, we extend to you and one guest a cordial invitation to hear Miss Jordan and to meet the newly elected officials.

If you can attend, please let us know by return mail.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 14, 1968

Mr. Martin L. Harvey
Dean of Student Affairs
Southern University
Southern Branch Post Office
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70813

Dear Dean Harvey:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 14, 1968

The Right Reverend Msgr. Alexander O. Sigur
Post Office Box 2250
Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

Dear Monsignor Sigur:

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February 14, 1968

Mrs. Glen E. Laskey
President, Women's Division
Board of Missions
The Methodist Church
710 North Vienna
Ruston, Louisiana 71270

Dear Mrs. Laskey:

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701 Gravier Building
535 Gravier Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

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Mrs. Helen Mervis
1422 Valence Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70115

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February 14, 1968

Mr. F. Malcolm Cunningham
600 Rosemary Avenue
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

Thank you for your report dated February 12. I am supposed to speak to the Palm Beach County Chapter of the Florida Council on Human Relations on February 26. I plan to arrive at 1:37 p.m. on Eastern Airlines flight # 259 and will return to Atlanta the following afternoon. Mr. Edward Rodgers has said he will meet me at the airport. I had already planned to give you a call during my stay there and I had already decided to try to get together with you at some point. I will be staying at the Ramada Inn. I very much look forward to meeting you and the other workers in your project.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 14, 1968

Mr. Julian Bond
162 Eurahlee Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Julian:

I apologize for taking so long to respond to your thoughtful letters. I have passed your letters along to Vernon and we are both pleased by the suggestions you make.

I think we will save ourselves a lot of time by getting in the conference room one day with all the VEP staff around the table and making a careful preliminary decision about whom to contact for case histories. No doubt we will want a careful balance between successful candidates and unsuccessful candidates, between seekers of high offices and low offices and between various geographical parts of the South. Most of us here have personal knowledge of successful and unsuccessful candidates' in the states you mentioned. The problem will be narrowing the list down so that we do not spend too much time and effort in compiling material.

q In that way perhaps, and with reasonable good luck, we can complete the job during the period in which you will be available.

Going on from there your suggested approach strikes me as appropriate and logical. You are quite right in saying that Amerson did not have the support of his established leadership in Macon County. The others you mentioned also sound like they would provide interesting case histories. I think a sharp account of the Willis race for mayor would be especially valuable.

We heard about the Civil Rights Commission's study last summer and I gather that their report is running considerably behind schedule. We may very well find that the information in that report will tie in with your study.

Indeed I did talk with George Booker by telephone several days ago. I didn't know about his biographies which also should prove valuable. I understand that George has been invited to be here February 23 - 25 for the SRC - A. Philip Randolph Institute meeting at the Biltmore.

We still haven't worked out a formula for paying you for what I think will be a very promising undertaking for us. However, I feel safe in saying that VEP will do its darndest to see that you are properly compensated.

I hope all is going well at the Legislature. Let us know the next time George L. Smith closes down early enough for you to have lunch with us downtown.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 14, 1968

Dr. Ralph Mason Dreger
Professor of Psychology
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Dreger:

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February 14, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

In going back through our 1966 reports the other day, we noticed that no report was ever filed by the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs, P. O. 321, Durham. This project was funded back on April 1, 1966 and received $2,765.00. No reports were ever filed by this project. If you could pry some sort of report or information out of Mr. Boulware at this late date it would be good to have some sort of figure to put on the Durham County card.

Perhaps too much time has passed for this to be done. But if you would give it a try I would very much appreciate it.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 14, 1968

Dr. C. G. Gomillion
308 Bibb Street
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

squid?

Dear Dr. Gomillion:

Thank you so much for agreeing to give a ten minute presentation on "Public Leadership" during the conference this month.

Enclosed is a squid, which Paul has written and which I read to you on the telephone, indicating some ideas for your presentation. Vernon Jordan has added the following four areas which might effectively be touched on also: (1) Business Community; (2) Chambers of Commerce; (3) Urban Coalition; (4) Plans for Progress.

We look forward to seeing you on the 23rd.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

February 14, 1968

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Tennessee Valley Authority
405 New Sprankle Building
Knoxville, Tennessee

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Dr. Gomillion of Tuskegee has agreed to be the second speaker in this interest area.

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James N. Wood, Jr.
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Enclosure - 1.

February 14, 1968

Miss Carolyn Davis
3101 Pennsylvania Avenue, S. E. #302
Washington, D. C. 20020

Dear Miss Davis:

I am pleased to enclose our check for $139.17 for services rendered on behalf of the Green-Hale Sewing Cooperative, November 13-17, 1967.

We do appreciate your interest in the Green-Hale Sewing Cooperative.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosure

bcc: Mr. Lewis Black

P.S. Please do send the air ticket stub for our auditor's records.

February 14, 1968

Mr. Robert Valder
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Bob:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter from Mrs. Hattie Ruffin of Choctaw County. Is there anything you and the good people of the Alabama Council can do? If we can be helpful please let us know.

I heard that you had a good meeting.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosure

February 14, 1968

Mrs. Hattie Ruffin
P. O. Box 216
Lisman, Alabama 36912

Dear Mrs. Ruffin:

We have forwarded your letter of February 12 to Mr. Robert Valder, Director of the Alabama Council on Human Relations. He should be in touch with you in a few days.

I'm not sure what we can do at this time, but we will try to help.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis, Director
Community Organization
Project

JL/rh

Southern , Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. A 30303
522-87

PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

MEMORANDUM February 14, 1968

To: Members of the Council

From: Paul Anthony

Re: 1968 Annual Meeting.

The dates of our 1968 Annual Meeting are November 13 - 15. The meeting will be held in Atlanta as usual. While you will, of course, receive additional information at a later date, I do hope you will note and reserve these dates on your calendars.

In keeping with the expressions at the last annual meeting of the desire for substantially greater participation of members at these meetings, a special committee has been formed for that purpose. As soon as we have had acceptances from those appointed we will inform you of them. I am sure the committee will invite your comments and suggestions.

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February 14, 1968

Mr. A. Ross Eckler
Director
Bureau of the Census
U. S. Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C. 20233

Dear Mr. Eckler:

Thank you for the invitation to be with you on the 15th of March. I shall be happy to do so. I would appreciate any further information on the hours of your meeting and its location.

While I am very sorry to have been unable to be at the last meeting, I do look forward to this one.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 14, 1968

Mr. Bernardo Valdez
Manager of Welfare
777 Cherokee Street
Denver, Colorado 80204

Dear Mr. Valdez:

It was a real pleasure to meet you last week in Denver, and I considered it a privilege to have some small part in the beginning of the Southwest Council in La Raza.

I indicated at one point that I would send each member of the committee some copies of a brochure announcing the Conference on Human Relations and the Law that we are co-sponsoring with the University of Texas. They are enclosed, and if you cannot attend the conference yourself we would appreciate your sending a copy of the announcement to any friend or associate who might be interested.

Let me assure you again that we here at the Southern Regional Council are delighted with the development of the Southwest Council of La Raza and stand ready to render any assistance that we can.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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Dr. Julian Samora
Post Office Box 534
Notre Dame, Indiana 46556

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Mr. Mario Vasquez, Chairman
California G. I. Forum
2329 Raggio Avenue
Santa Clara, California

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Mr. Lee Soto
1249 Alabama Street
San Francisco, California 94110

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Dr. Ernesto Galarza
1031 Franquette Avenue
San Jose, California 95125

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Mr. Herman Gallegos
150 Corona Street
San Francisco, California 94127

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Mr. Armando de Leon
Luhrs Tower
45 West Jefferson Street, Suite 28
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

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February 14, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
306 First Federal Bldg.
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Ken:

I have asked Jim Wood to handle the matter of air travel for Glennis Barnes. I suspect that it will be necessary to issue a second card with Glennis' name on it.

The same thing happened tome, once, when I tried to purchase a ticket for Paul Anthony. Nothing doing. There is such a thing as a card that is good for multiple purchases, but I don't think our agreement permits issuing such.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

cc: James N. Wood

February 14, 1968

Mr. Robert Valder
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Bob:

Yes, I am supposed to be talking to some foreign visitors at 1:00 P.M. on the 22nd. Let me suggest, however, that you stop by the SRC office when you arrive. There is always the chance, withthis sort of thing, that I'll be free. And if not, you might find someone else in the office willing to have lunch with you.

Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 14, 1968

The Villa Capri Motel
2360 North Interregional
Austin, Texas

Gentlemen:

Please reserve a room for me (single) for March 6-9. I shall arrive after six o'clock on March 6 and will check out by noon on March 9.

I shall be attending the conference on "Human Relations and the Law" sponsored by the University of Texas Law School.

Yours truly,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 14, 1968

The Rev. Miguel F. Barragan
401 International Bldg.
San Antonio, Texas 78205

Dear Mr. Barragan:

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Director
Field Activities

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February 14, 1968

Mr. H. H. Harden, Jr.
Sowell and Harden
950 Bank of Georgia Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Hal:

This is merely a note to thank you and the other members of your firm for the audit and the helpful advice that came from it.

I should have thanked you earlier for your considerable help with the Ford Review Team. Please know that we appreciate your time and effort in this regard.

As in the past, it is a genuine pleasure to do business with you and your firm.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

Same letter sent to: Dr. Sam Cook, Dr. Lucius Pitts,

February 14, 1968

Mr. Frank Smith
Tennessee Valley Authority
405 New Sprankle Building
Knoxville, Tennessee 37902

Dear Frank:

Relative to your serving on the Lillian Smith Award Committee, the attached may be of some help to you and the other members.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure

February 14, 1968

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Please forgive me this long delay in writing to you about the Lillian Smith Award Committee. I am somewhat behind because of the "bug" which has kept me out of the office these past two weeks.

We would, indeed, like for you to serve as chairman of that committee, and I hope you are willing to do so. As you know, the other members of the committee are: Dr. Samuel Cook, Dr. Lucius Pitts, Mr. Frank Smith, and Dr. Bell I. Wiley. I am today writing to each of them asking if they will be willing to serve. The responses will be shared with you.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 14, 1968

Mr. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

In preparing for the last Executive Committee meeting in January, I brought to Paul's attention the attached notes which I prepared for him in anticipation of the appointment of the Lillian Smith Award Committee. He mentioned then that this matter should be referred to the Award Committee. Since he is in New York today, I'm taking the liberty of passing them on to you, as chairman of that committee, for whatever they may be worth.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosure

Re: Lillian Smith Award

Paul,

The specifics of the Lillian Smith Award makes no reference as to whether the recipient should necessarily be a writer outside the SRC family. Should this be spelled out in the criteria for selecting a recipient? If it is not, then any SRC board member or staff member could be [illegible] eligible, i.e., Pat Watters and Reese Cleghorn for their CLIMBING JACOB'S LADDER. This work, under other circumstances, would probably -- and I think rightly -- be considered for the award.

However, no matter how good the work, it is questionable whether an SRC award should be given an SRC'er -- most especially a staffer.

Do you need to bring this to the attention of the Executive Committee or to the newly appointed Award Committee?

February 14, 1968

Dr. John A. Griffin
Executive Director
Southern Education Foundation
811 Cypress Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear John:

Since you earlier volunteered to be of help with the special SRC program committee, I hope you will be willing to serve as chairman of that committee which was recently appointed. I am today writing each member of the committee per the enclosed, and will be in touch with you as soon as we have their responses. This could be a very significant idea, and I look forward particularly to working with you on it.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

Same letter to: Dr. Robert Harris, Mr. J. Bill Becker, Mr. Julius Chambers, Mr. Donald Hollowell, Mr. Matthew Perry, Mr. Daniel Pollitt, Mrs. Martha Ragland, Mr. Bradford Ansley, Mr. John Siegenthaler and Mr. Robert Palmer.

February 14, 1968

Mrs. Glen Laskey
710 North Vienna
Ruston, Louisiana 71270

Dear Mrs. Laskey:

At the Annual Meeting last November a number of members of the Council expressed the hope that future annual meetings would deal more with the issues and interests of the Council and that they would be structured in such a way as to involve to a greater degree the participation by members.

Toward that end the Executive Committee, on January 27, 1968, authorized the establishment of a program committee. You and those indicated on the attached list were appointed to serve. This is to inform you of that action and to express my personal hope that you are willing to do so.

At an early date we will be in touch with you concerning possible dates for a meeting of the committee here in Atlanta. Prior to such a meeting we will send you considerably more information on the purposes and possibilities of the committee.

Again, I look forward to this opportunity to work with you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure

February 14, 1968

The Reverend John R. Taylor
Central Presbyterian Church
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Taylor:

I regret that I missed you on your recent visit to the office and that you will be unable to attend our conference on the 23rd. However, at your convenience I do look forward to the opportunity of meeting you.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 14, 1968

Mr. Ronnie Moore
SEDFRE
150 Nassau Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Moore:

Norman Hill has suggested that you serve as a resource person in one of the workshops. Each of the four workshops will be assigned one of the following very broad topics:

Public Leadership

Citizenship Participation

Regional Economic Development

Regional Poverty

We sincerely hope that you will be able to attend and to serve. Would you let us know as soon as possible?

Sincerely yours,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

February 14, 1968

Mr. Robert L. Combs
Sweetwater Presbyterian Church
500 - 21st Street, Southeast
Hickory, North Carolina 28601

Dear Bob:

Thanks for your note and the carbon of your letter to Will Allred. Good to hear from you.

I am sending you a copy of a speech by Will Campbell at the annual meeting of the Arkansas Council. I thought you might find it interesting, especially his remarks to the effect that the KKK is not the real "invisible empire" we have to defeat.

Give my regards to Elsie.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enc.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested for Research Dept.

Invoice Rec'd:\_______________
Amount:____________________
Check No;__________________
Mailed:____________________

February 15, 1968

The University of Maryland
Bureau of Government Research
College Park, Maryland 20740

Dear Sirs:

We are interested in obtaining a copy of a publication wherein a study of the oil business was conducted, and we would also like a copy of the full report due to be published and distributed sometime during the month of June.

If this study is presently available, please send us a copy, and place us on the reserve list for the future report.

Bill us if there is a charge.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

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Invoice Rec'd: ____________ Amount: ____________
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February 15, 1968

The Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

Please send us a copy of the FBI Annual Report listing the principal activities during the past year, particularly the war in Vietnam and its effect on the agency.

Bill us if there is a charge.

Very truly yours,

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Check No:____________
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February 15, 1968

Mr. Marion F. Langer
Executive Secretary
American Orthopsychiatric
  Association
1790 Broadway
New York, New York 10019

Dear Dr. Langer:

Please send us a copy of the paper entitled, War - Civil Rights - Human Rights: What Are Their Connections?, and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

BU- April

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Approved: PA
Requested for Research Dept.

Check No:__________
Mailed:____________

February 15, 1968

Harcourt, Brace and World, Inc.
757 Third Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Sirs:

We would like to place a prepaid order for The Urban Prospect, by Lewis Mumford, due for publication sometime in April.

Our check for $5.95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs
Encl. - $5.95 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested for Research Dept.

Check No;____________
Mailed:______________

February 15, 1968

Hill and Wang, Inc.
141 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10010

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, From Plantation to Ghetto by August Meier and Elliott M. Rudwick.

Our check for $5.75 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $5.75

February 15, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: BCC

FROM: JSHORTT

Bernice, Bob Anderson requests that the following individual be sent 50 copies of, The Continuing Crisis. No invoice included. Label attached.

Thanks.

Miss Sonya Kaufer
American Jewish Committee
165 East 56th Street
New York, New York 10022

February 15, 1968

Mr. Walter Harrelson
Dean
Divinity School
Vanderbilt University
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Dean Harrelson:

Thanks very much for the invitation to deliver the annual Race Relations Lecture on Friday, May 3, 1968.

I accept your offer with "Fear and Trembling" realizing the excellence of your speakers in the past. However, I hope that I will have something to say.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested for Research Dept.

Check No:___________
Mailed:_____________

February 15, 1968

Vanderbilt University Press
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Crisis in Print: Desegregation and the Press in Tennessee, by Hugh Davis Graham.

Our check for $7.50 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $7.50 check.

February 15, 1968

Mr. John R. Taylor
2410 East Bessemer Avenue
Greensboro, North Carolina 27405

Dear John:

It seems that I am even more confused than usual.

My apologies for the erroneous report that Moses Burt has been elected President of the North Carolina Council. Will told me that he was the new president of the Durham Council and I heard it wrong, I guess. I shall correct it in the next letter.

Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

cc: Will Allred

February 15, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Council Directors

FROM: Ed Stanfield

Enclosed is a hastily reproduced copy of a proposal from the Law Students Civil Rights Research Council concerning placement of law student interns with the human relations councils this summer. We shall have further information and some slight revisions of the plan at our meeting next week, but we hasten this to you so you can be thinking about it. (They would like to have any applications by March 1, if possible.)

I look forward to seeing you on Friday the 23rd. About 10:00 A.M.? I assume hotel reservations are taken care of through the conference at the Biltmore, but if you need anything, let us know.

February 15, 1968

Mr. John A. Buggs
Deputy Director
Model Cities Administration
Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
1001 P.N.B. Building
Washington, D. C. 20410

Dear Mr. Buggs:

Thank you very much for arranging for Don Dodge of your office and Mr. Earl Metzger and Mr. Charles Straub of the Atlanta regional office to participate in our NAIRO regional seminar on the Model Cities Program.

While we had not many intergroup relations people present, I found presentation very enlightening and I trust that it will be fruitful. We did have representatives here from Huntsville, Miami, and Charlotte, as well as Atlanta, and I trust that they will be aler to the problems of citizen participation in both existing and future model cities programs.

Again, thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 15, 1968

Mr. Marshall Palley
College Program Director
American Friends Service Committee
2160 Lake Street
San Francisco, California 94121

Dear Mr. Palley:

This is to acknowledge your letter of January 27.

I regret to say that I will be unable to attend any of the college conference on "Non-violence Revisted" during the weekend preceding the Asilomar conference.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

February 15, 1968

Miss Virgie Hortenstine
Executive Coordinator
Fayette-Haywood Workcamps
5541 Hanley Road
Cincinnati, Ohio 45239

Dear Miss Hortenstine:

This is to acknowledge your letter and the attached proposal of January 25.

It is quite doubtful that we will able to help with your Human Development Centers for our resources are limited and we are heavily committed at this time. However, we will do what we can.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

February 15, 1968

Mr. James Y. Holloway
Box 936 College Station
Berea College
Berea, Kentucky 40403

Dear Jim:

This is to acknowledge your letter of February 12.

I will be arriving in Lexington on Sunday, February 18th at 8:21 P.M., via Delta flight #438. I will be returning to Atlanta on Tuesday evening.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

February 15, 1968

Mr. Earl Davis
419 West Clay Street
Richmond, Virginia 23220

Dear Mr. Davis:

Thank you for agreeing to speak on Saturday, February 24th for ten minutes on the general topic of citizenship participation.

I am enclosing xeroxed copies of a rough description of each of the four areas, plus Vernon Jordan's suggestions.

I look forward to seeing you later in the month.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/mmj
Enclosures

February 15, 1968

Mrs. Mary Greene
Assistant Director
Urban League of Greater Dallas
2606 Forest Avenue
Suite 211
Dallas, Texas 75215

Dear Mrs. Greene:

Because of our limited funds for expenses of participants at the joint A. Philip Randolph Educational Fund-Southern Regional Council Conference, it is necessary to make some alterations to our letter of February 13, 1968. We must limit our assistance to you to fifty dollars ($50.00). It is necessary to make this alteration so that we may help the large number of non-agency people attend. We hope that the Urban League can absorb the remainder of your expenses and that you still will be able to attend.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

February 15, 1968

Mr. Don Dodge
Program Operations Officer
Model Cities
Department of Housing and Urban Development
1001 P.N.B. Building
Washington, D. C. 20410

Dear Mr. Dodge:

I want to thank you for participating in our seminar on the Model Cities Program here in Atlanta last Monday. It was very enlightening, and I hope that your effort in coming will not be fruitless.

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 15, 1968

Mr. Adam Stein
405½ East Trade Street
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Stein:

In Mr. Anthony's absence I am replying to your letter of February 13th. We are delighted you and Mr. Chambers can come, and are pleased to extend an invitation to Mr. Ferguson to attend.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

February 15, 1968

Mr. Clarence N. Wood
Executive Director
Birmingham Urban League, Inc.
505 North 17th Street
Birmingham, Alabama 35203

Dear Mr. Wood:

In reply to your letter of February 13th, if you can get over for the conference we will pick up your hotel costs. Reservations will be made for you at the Biltmore.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

February 15, 1968

Dr. Leonard Burns
1813 North Rocheblade
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Burns:

As you undoubtedly know, February 6 was a historic day in Louisiana. On that day, 35 Negroes were elected to various offices in Louisiana ranging from State House of Representatives to members of the police jury. Most of these newly elected officials have had very little---if any---previous experience in the political process in Louisiana. For that reason the Voter Education Project is sponsoring a two-day Institute for these newly elected officials on Friday and Saturday, March 1-2, 1968 at the Roosevelt Hotel, 123 Baronne Street in New Orleans. This Institute will provide instruction and guidance on the problems of serving as an elected official in Louisiana.

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If you can attend, please let us know by return mail.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 15, 1968

Mr. Henry L. Marsh, III
3211 Q Street
Richmond, Virginia 23223

Dear Henry:

This is to confirm your conversation with Vernon Jordan concerning your participation in the Institute for Louisiana Elected Officials, Friday and Saturday, March 1-2, 1968.

You are scheduled for Saturday morning, March 2. We would like for your remarks to focus on Serving the People - How and Why.

For your information, enclosed are the following:

1) a copy of the agenda of the Mississippi Institute, and

2) two Flite Checks.

Please let us know the time of your arrival so we can make the necessary arrangements. If you wish additional information or assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 15, 1968

Mr. Samuel Adams
St. Petersburg Times
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Sam:

This is to confirm your conversation with Vernon Jordan concerning your participation in the Institute for Louisiana Elected officials, Friday and Saturday, March 1-2, 1968.

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Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 15, 1968

Mr. R. Samuel Allen
220 Oklahoma Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Allen:

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If you can attend, please let us know by return mail.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 15, 1968

Mr. I. S. Augustine, Jr.
1470 North Caliborne
New Orlenas, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Augustine:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 15, 1968

Mrs. Carole Taylor
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Carole:

As promised I am enclosing the Mississippi manuscript. The notes and comments that you see from page to page are those of Robin Ulmer.

I am also enclosing a copy of the draft of the Georgia booklet. Let me know what you think.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

February 15, 1968

Mr. Jesse Stone
Associate Director
Human Relations Commission
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Stone:

As you undoubtedly know, February 6 was a historic day in Louisiana. On that day, 35 Negroes were elected to various offices in Louisiana ranging from State House of Representatives to members of the police jury. Most of these newly elected officials have had very little---if any---previous experience in the political process in Louisiana. For that reason the Voter Education Project is sponsoring a two-day Institute for these newly elected officials on Friday and Saturday, March 1 - 2, 1968 at the Roosevelt Hotel, 123 Baronne Street in New Orleans. This Institute will provide instruction and guidance on the problems of serving as an elected official in Louisiana.

We very much hope that you will ba able to attend this Institute as a guest and observer. Knowing your long-standing interest in the advance of Negro rights in Louisiana we would not wish to hold this Institute without extending to you this invitation to be present at this important occasion.

May we have, at your earliest convenience, the time of your arrival. Reservations have been made for you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
VoterEEducation Project

VEJ:mlj

February 15, 1968

Miss Jean Fairfax
Legal Defense & Education Fund, Inc.
10 Columbus Circle
New York, New York

Dear Jean:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 15, 1968

Mr. Ronnie Moore
SEDFRE
150 Nassau Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Ronnie:

As you undoubtedly know, February 6 was a historic day in Louisiana. On that day, 35 Negroes were elected to various offices in Louisiana ranging from State House of Representatives to members of the police jury. Most of these newly elected officials have had very little---if any---previous experience in the political process in Louisiana. For that reason the Voter Education Project is sponsoring a two-day Institute for these newly elected officials on Friday and Saturday, March 1 - 2, 1968 at the Roosevelt Hotel, 123 Baronne Street in New Orleans. This Institute will provide instruction and guidance on the problems of serving as an elected official in Louisiana.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 15, 1968

Mr. J. K. Haymes
Executive Director
Louisiana Education Association
1335 North Boulevard
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821

Dear Mr. Haymes:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 15, 1968

Mr. Alphonzo Jackson, Jr.
President
Louisiana Teachers Association
1627 Winestock Street
Shreveport, Louisiana 71103

Dear Mr. Jackson:

As you undoubtedly know, February 6 was a historic day in Louisiana. On that day, 35 Negroes were elected to various offices in Louisiana ranging from State House of Representatives to members of the police jury. Most of these newly elected officials have had very little---if any---previous experience in the political process in Louisiana. For that reason the Voter Education Project is sponsoring a two-day Institute for these newly elected officials on Friday and Saturday, March 1 - 2, 1968.at the Roosevelt Hotel, 123 Baronne Street in New Orleans. This Institute will provide instruction and guidance on the problems of serving as an elected official in Louisiana.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 15, 1968

Mr. John Mortzell
Director
Human Relations Commission
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Mortzell:

As you undoubtedly know, February 6 was a historic day in Louisiana. On that day, 35 Negroes were elected to various offices in Louisiana ranging from State House of Representative to members of the police jury. Most of these newly elected officials have had very little---if any---previous experience in the political process in Louisiana. For that reason the Voter Education Project is sponsoring a two-day Institute for these newly elected officials on Friday and Saturday, March 1 - 2, 1968 at the Roosevelt Hotel, 123 Baronne Street in New Orleans. This Institute will provide instruction and guidance on the problems of serving as an elected official in Louisiana.

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 15, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: VEJ

FROM: TO

RE: Field Trip, Fifth Congressional District of Virginia
Danville, Virginia

The purpose of this field trip was to further evaluate the proposed program of the 5th Congressional District of Virginia.

Upon arrival at the office of Attorney Ruth Harvey, I was immediately asked to share in a conference call from Frank Adams, Executive Director of the Virginia Council on Human Relations. Frank had, in previous conversation, asked Ruth to consider running as an independent candidate for Congress from the 5th Congressional District of the Commonwealth of Virginia. This call was in reference to her decision. Ruth is very, very seriously considering running for Congress. Frank called to infrom her that if she was considering, he knew of some possible financial support.

From this point, the ice was broken. Ronald Charity was introduced as the possible project director. Ron also shared the call.

After a brief review of the problems of the 5th Congressional District and the proposal, I reviewed with them our past interest in Southside, Virginia. A detailed explanation of our accounting procedure was not necessary since the proposed director has a Masters Degree in accounting from Catholic University in Washington, D. C. However, a brief explanation was given.

After additional discussion I raised with Ruth the question concerning the Congressional seat and she explained that all this grew out of the last election, and interest was and is still high. She further stated that several civic-minded citizens had approached her. At this point the non-political aspect of VEP explained. They understood.

No serious problems are evident. During the last election the problems of the registrars in rural areas were solved. These centered around the availability of the registrars' availability.

Ron and I made a trip to Martinsville and met with Mr. J. W. Pritchett, a local contractor, who has worked over a long period of time with registration. Mr. Pritchett recalled that he can very well remember when only a hundred or more Negroes were registered in the county. He pointed out that the involvement of more Negroes in the political process has been one of his long term dreams. Registration activity in Martinsville resulted in 943 new names to the roll. Mr. Julius Murriell, local bondsman and his secretary, Mrs. Wilkerson confirmed all that Mr. Pritchett had said. They are both active in registration. Mrs. Wilkerson is secretary of the Martinsville's drive. They all are delighted that a proposal has been submitted that would include Martinsville and recommended that Ron direct said program.

A trip was made to the office in Martinsville which is on the main street. A very large sign is already up and precinct meeting are already underway.

An attempt was made to meet Mr. Williams Muse, Jr., local realtor and president of the Fidelity Savings and Loan Association in Martinsville. Previous commitments prevented this. However, his support was assured.

RECOMMENDATIONS

After a revision of the budget, I would suggest that some consideration be given to the 5th Congressional District of Virginia because:

1) There is evidence of Congressional communication and organization in the District. This is evidenced by an attempt to meet with representatives from the entire district.

2) The 5th Congressional District is a Byrd stronghold, and it is one of the largest in the state. For these reasons it is felt that they could set the pattern for the state.

3) The registration drive last year was funded primarily from local funds, and it is the thinking, not only 66 Ron and Ruth, but the people in Martinsville, that some outside assistance could sustain this interest.

4) Candidates are announcing every hour on the radio for various offices. It was revealed that Negroes will be seeking office in the district which will stimulate registration.

5) The organization has selected a director who has had experience in organizing and voter registration. Ron Charity directed the campaign for Henry Marsh of Richmond.

6) Finally, I would like to suggest, if only for experimental purposes, a district meeting. This meeting can be patterned after our state wide meetings.

We were promised by both representatives of the district that they would keep us appraised of the situation in the area.

February 16, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Les:

Enclosed is the annual program report and a copy of the audit. We will be happy to supply you with additional copies should you have need of them.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

February 16, 1968

Mr. Charles Stewart
The Ford Foundation
320 E. 43rd Street
New York, New York

Dear Charles:

Enclosed are a copy of the audit and annual program report.

Again, it was good to get to know you and to work with you.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

February 16, 1968

Mr. Vernon A. Eagle
Executive Director
New World Foundation
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York

Dear Vernon:

Enclosed are a copy of the annual program report and an audit. Separately, a copy of the program report is being sent to each member of your board.

Sorry we could not get together for lunch on Wednesday. Hop we can do so soon.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

February 16, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Les:

Enclosed is a copy of our proposal in support of the state Councils submitted to the Ford Foundation. You will note the proposal requests $200,000-a-year, and indicates an overhead to SRC of 10%. Our revised budget, at the Foundation's request, for $100,000-a-year drops the overhead. Unless we are unasually fortunate in finding funds for this purpose we will not take any overhead from funds granted in support of state Councils.

I think the heart of the decision the Foundation must make is whether or not it wishes to give a total amount of money in support of most, if not all, the state Councils as opposed to reserving those funds for support of specific and substantial projects within the several councils.

This is certainly not to say that we will continue our general grant-in-aid program. In fact, we, too, will deliberately aim largely at project support with any funds we have available. Nevertheless, for the Foundation I think the only alternative is support for several agencies as opposed to support for the state council movement.

I have no idea at this point where we shall look, but I shall, during the course of the year, try to find new sources of support for the state Councils.

It was good spending the morning with you.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 16, 1968

Mrs. Stephen J. Robbins
Route 1, Box 15
Grovetown, Georgia 30813

Dear Mrs. Robbins:

Thank you for sharing with us your concerns. I am today sending a copy of your letter to Miss Constance Curry, American Friends Service Committee, 41 Exchange Place, S. E., Atlanta. The Committee has a particular concern in this area, and some staff available. I am sure Miss Curry will be in touch with you shortly.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Miss Constance Curry

February 16, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Executive Director
Tennessee Council on Human Relations
1207 - 18th Avenue South
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Baxton:

Enclosed is our check for your two expense accounts.

As you undoubtedly know, I spent some time with Les Dunbar on Wednesday before you saw him yesterday. Did you do any good?

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 16, 1968

Mr. H. S. Hank Brown
President
Texas AFL-CIO
Box MM, Capitol Station
308 W. 11th Street
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Hank:

While we regret you cannot be with us next weekend, your absence is certainly understandable. I will be in Texas attending the Texas Law School meeting, and shall look forward to visiting with you then.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 16, 1968

Mr. Clifford Campbell
2004 North East Cramer Street
Portland, Oregon 97211

Dear Cliff:

Thanks so much for your letter.

I have sent the revised budget with copies for you and Basil to Chris. I assume you have been sent a copy. I am available to discuss it with you at your convenience.

I was in New York one day this week and tried to see Basil, but he was out of the city.

We are completing arrangementś for the meeting about the South now -- to be held in New York on Saturday, March 16th. Will I see you there?

It continues to be a real pleasure to work with you.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 16, 1968

The Honorable Martha W. Evans
2441 Hassell Place
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Senator Evans:

Certainly we understand why you cannot be with us next week. Thank you for the thoughtfulness of your reply.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 16, 1968

Mrs. Anna D. France
Friends Forum
P. O. Box 5202
Gulfport, Florida 33737

Dear Mrs. France:

Thank you so much for your letter of the 15th and your thoughtful comments. It was my pleasure being with you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 16, 1968

Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
1900 Brunswick Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina 28207

Dear Dr. Wheeler:

Here are the minutes of the January 27th meeting of the Executive Committee. Whenever you have edited them, I'll get them out.

You might like to know that Miss Wilkins has expressed serious concern about listing the amendments in this set of minutes. She feels that since they were amendments aimed only at clarification, that simply to say "the Minutes of the December meeting were approved and adopted with several amendments" would be sufficient for the record.

My feeling, to the contrary, is that since the amendments were approved by official action of the Committee, thereby requiring the minutes to be re-done to reflect the changes, the records of that meeting should show the official action taken. However, I hold no strong convictions about this, so I leave it to you to say how I am to handle this part of the minutes.

Sincerely,

Mildred M. Johnson

February 16, 1968

Mr. Roger Landrum
State University College
Old Westbury, New York 11568

Dear Roger:

This is to acknowledge your letter of February 11 which was forwared to me from the Field Foundation.

Now, I am on the staff of the Southern Regional Council working with the Community Organization Project. Most of my time is spent trying to help and relate to several self-help efforts in the rural South in an attempt to generate sources of income for the poor.

The whole idea of developing cadres of young teachers to work in the inner-city schools is quite interesting.

I don't know exactly what I can do to help since I am not in New York, and to some degree out of the world of Foundations.

Give my best to Harris Wofford and James Wiley.

Sometime when I am in New York I will give you a call.

Sincerely,

John Lewis, Director
Community Organization Project

JL/rh

February 16, 1968

Mr. Joe Murphy
COINS Coordinator
Route 3, Box 170-A
Huntsville, Alabama 35806

Dear Mr. Murphy:

I was happy to learn that you have been funded by OEO to conduct Consumer Education Classes.

I would be interested in knowing the major areas of concern of the Peoples Co-op of Madison County. What was the co-op organized to do?

I am enclosing some leaflets on Consumer Education and if you need additional information or help, get in touch with us. I also suggest that you write to BAND.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis, Director
Community Organization Project

JL:rh

Enclosures

February 16, 1968

Mr. James E. Huger
Business Manager
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida 32015

Dear Mr. Huger:

The fact that our conference and the Democratic Committee's conference are being held here at the same time is purely a coincidence. Should you be coming to the other meeting, I do hope you will at least look in on ours.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

Same letter to Mrs. Hilda Lindley

February 16, 1968

Mr. William B. Goodman
Harcourt, Brace and World, Inc.
757 Third Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Bill:

Here is the kind of request we're getting for our book.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js
Encl. - 1.
(copy of letter from Mrs. Winson Hudson)

February 15, 1968

Mr. Johnny Johnson
Executive Director
Model Cities Program
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you very much for being with us at our regional seminar on the Model Cities Program last Monday afternoon. It was very helpful, and I hope that your taking the trouble to make this presentation will prove to have been worthwhile.

Incidentally, I saw the report in the paper this morning of your speech at the Hungry Club. Reading between the lines, I would guess that you are becoming adept at handling hostility. Maybe the practice session with us was at least helpful in that regard!

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 16, 1968

Mr. Maclovia R. Barraza
United Steelworkers of America
2406 Miracle Mile
Tucson, Arizona 85701

Dear Maclovio:

I just got around to reading the exerpts from your testimony at the El Paso meeting last October, as reprinted in Steel Labor. It was very moving, and for me very enlightening.

Thanks for giving me that issue of the paper and, again thanks for letting me sit in on the meeting in Denver.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 16, 1968

Mr. Earl Metzger
Regional Director
Model Cities
Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
Peachtree-Seventh Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Metzger:

On behalf of the Atlanta chapter and the lower south region of NAIRO, I want to thank you for participating in our Model Cities seminar last Monday. It was very enlightening and I trust that your effort in obliging us will be fruitful.

If we can render any assistance in the future, do not hesitate to call upon us.

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 16, 1968

Mr. Charles Straub
Deputy Regional Director
Model Cities
Dept. of Housing and Urban Development
Peachtree-Seventh Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Straub:

Thank you very much for participating in the NAIRO regional seminar on Model Cities. We especially appreciated your intimate knowledge and helpfulness with regard to the Atlanta Model Cities Program.

If we can render any assistance at any time, do not hesitate to call upon us.

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 16, 1968

Dr. Vivian Henderson
President
Clark College
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Viv:

The enclosed letter will, I am sure, be of great interest to you. I plan to respond to Mr. Hester's letter and offer whatever assistance I can toward helping them have a meaningful stay in Atlanta. You may want to mention this to him at DePauw next week for I am certain that he will make himself known to you.

Although I haven't mentioned it to Shirley, I am giving some thought to inviting the group to my house for supper their first evening in town and have guys like John Lewis, Weldon Rougeau and Julian Bond to come out and talk with them informally.

If you have any idea of what we might do together, let me know.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

February 16, 1968

Mr. Jack Greenberg
Director-Counsel
NAACP, Legal Defense and
Educational Fund, Inc.
10 Columbus Circle
New York, New York

Dear Jack:

This is to confirm, per our telephone conversation this morning, that you are scheduled to give the luncheon address at the Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials Friday, March 1, at the Roosevelt Hotel. The title that we have listed for your talk is "The Law, Welfare and the Elected Official."

To give you some idea of the Mississippi Institute, we are enclosing a copy of the agenda for that meeting. The VEP will reimburse your travel expenses and provide you with a modest honorarium. Please let us know your travel plans and whether or not you will need overnight accommodations either Thursday, February 29, or Friday, March 1.

Thank you again for your willingness to participate in the Institute.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

February 16, 1968

Mrs. Barbara I. Whittaker
The Urban League
Suite 242
136 Marietta Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Barbara:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly report for the week ending February 16, 1968. In order to be reimbursed as per your expenditures, we will need supporting documents for the following:

Petty Cash	$ 200.00
Miller's Book Co.	43.81
Miller's Book Co.	42.75
Census Abstract	4.00
Southern Stamp Co.	3.75
Citizenship Education Program	400.00
	$ 694.31

May we have this at your earliest convenience so as not to impede the progress of your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

February 16, 1968

Mr. S. B. DeLee
President
Ridgeville Branch, NAACP
Route 2, Box 142
Ridgeville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. DeLee:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your first weekly report for the week ending January 13, 1968. In order to be fully reimbursed as per your expenditures, we will need supporting documents for the following:

Gas Expenses (Miss Yvonne Williams)	$ 18.03
Materials (Mrs. Victoria DeLee)	6.59
Gas Expenses (Mrs. Julia Henderson)	9.13
Gas Expenses (Mrs. Cora Lee DeLee)	7.73
Gas Expenses (Mrs. Betty Fisher)	9.81
	$ 51.29

May we have these at your earliest convenience so as not to impede the progress of your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

cc: James Felder

February 16, 1968

Mr. George D. Lewis
Chairman
NAACP Special Education Campaign Committee
Masnfield Branch, NAACP
Route 2, Box 46
Mansfield, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Enclosed for your information.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 16, 1968

Mr. Jack Shelley
Human Relations Council of Greater Jacksonville
801 Pearl Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Dear Mr. Shelley:

Pursuant to your request for information concerning the Community Relations Commission in Atlanta, enclosed are some of the news clips.

I trust that these will be of assistance to you as we all attempt to make the region, the nation and the world a better place.

If we can be of further service, please let us know. Again, thanks for writing.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

February 19, 1968

Dr. Jewell Prestage
Chairman
Department of Political Science
Southern University
Southern Station
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Prestage:

This is to confirm, per your telephone conversation with Mr. Jordan, that you will participate in the Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials, Friday, March 1 at the Roosevelt Hotel.

To give you some idea of the format we are enclosing a copy of the agenda of the Mississippi Institute. The VEP will reimburse your travel expenses and provide you with a modest honorium. Please let us know your travel plans and whether or not you will need overnight accommodations either Thursday, February 29 or Friday, March 1.

Thank you again for your willingness to participate in the Institute.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 19, 1968

Mr. Camille Gravel
Attorney at Law
611 Murray Street
Alexandria, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Gravel:

This is to confirm, per our telephone conversation, that you will serve as a resource person for the workshop on the "Parish Executive Committeemen." Saturday, March 2 at the Roosevelt.

To give you some idea of the Mississippi Institute we are enclosing a copy of the agenda for that meeting. The VEP will reimburse your travel expenses and provide a modest honorarium.

Thank you again for your willingness to participate in the Institute.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 19, 1968

Mr. Clarence L. Townes, Jr.
Special Assistant to the Chairman
Republican National Committee
1625 Eye Street, N. W.
Washington, D. E. 20006

Dear Clarence:

As you undoubtedly know, February 6 was a historic day in Louisiana. On that day, 35 Negroes were elected to various offices in Louisiana ranging from State House of Representatives to members of the police jury. Most of these newly elected officials have had very little---if any---previous experience in the political process in Louisiana. For that reason the Voter Education Project is sponsoring a two-day Institute for these newly elected officials on Friday and Saturday, March 1-2, 1968 at the Roosevelt Hotel, 123 Baronne Street in New Orleans. This Institute will provide instruction and guidance on the problems of serving as an elected official in Louisiana.

We very much hope that you will be able to attend this Institute as a guest and observer. Knowing your long-standing interest in the advance of Negro rights in Louisiana we would not wish to hold this Institute without extending to you this invitation to be present at this important occasion.

May we have, at your earliest convenience, the time of your arrival. Reservations have been made for you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 19, 1968

Mr. George Booker
Democratic National Committee
2600 Virginia Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear George:

As you undoubtedly know, February 6 was a historic day in Louisiana. On that day, 35 Negroes were elected to various offices in Louisiana ranging from State House of Representatives to members of the police jury. Most of these newly elected officials have had very little---if any---previous experience in the political process in Louisiana. For that reason the Voter Education Project is sponsoring a two-day Institute for these newly elected officials on Friday and Saturday, March 1-2, 1968 at the Roosevelt Hotel, 123 Baronne Street in New Orleans. This Institute will provide instruction and guidance on the problems of serving as an elected official in Louisiana.

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May we have, at your earliest convenience, the time of your arrival. Reservations have been made for you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

February 19, 1968

Mr. John Brooks
NAACP Voter Registration Committee
301 East Clay Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear John:

Many thanks for the information on Richmond sent to us by Mrs. Williams. To give you an idea of how valuable this material was to us, Vernon is using some of it in a speech being given tomorrow to high foundation executives in New York. As I mentioned before, Virginia registration figures are pretty hard to come by, so I would appreciate getting anything you have that might be of interest.

Try to come to Atlanta again as soon as you can and spend a little more time with us next time.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 19, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Paul Anthony

FROM: Marvin Wall

Vernon asked me to pass along to you the attached correspondance between us and Julian Bond.

February 19, 1968

Mr. Larry Balthazar
Route 1, Box 15½
Natchez, Louisiana 71456

Dear Mr. Balthazar:

We are happy to place your name on the mailing list for the V.E.P. NEWS. In fact we had intended to put all of the new Louisiana officeholders on the mailing list. For friends of the VEP there is no charge for this publication. It is published monthly and I am enclosing copies of the last two issues.

I look forward to meeting you in New Orleans.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

February 19, 1968

Mr. Robert Valder
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Bob:

Many thanks for your letter of February 14 regarding Negro elected officials in Alabama. Due to a mixup here I failed to write you in November regarding the $500.00 grant for voter registration work in Lee County, Alabama. I am enclosing a half-dozen or so statistical forms for your use and mine. Please fill in one of these forms for your drive and mail it back to me. Also please give me a brief narrative report on the registration drive, telling of any problems encountered, type of materials used in the campaign and any unusual or special circumstances that you think ought to be reported.

I trust that under your wise leadership this was a smashing registration campaign and I look forward to reading the details of it in your report. Take care of yourself and come to see us soon in Atlanta.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

February 19, 1968

Mr. Meyer Schwartz
Associate Dean
Graduate School of Social Work
University of Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15213

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

Thank you for your letter, dated February 12, inviting me to the University of Pittsburgh for a full day some time before March 22 to give a public lecture, and to take part in small discussion sessions with the faculty and students of the Graduate School of Social Work.

I am pleased to inform you that I can come to the University any day during the week of March 18, if that is convenient to you, and will be more than happy to do so.

The work which you describe in the training of the students is very much akin to what we try to do in the South through the Voter Education Project. I am certain that I will be greatly instructed by observing your work and sharing ideas with students and faculty.

For your information I am forwarding you, under separate cover, materials on the Voter Education Project. They will give you some idea about our program and may be useful to your work.

Enclosed is a copy of my vita sheet for your use. May I hear from you as soon as possible confirming a date during week of March 18.

Thanks much for the opportunity to share in the program of the Graduate School of Social Work. I look forward to coming.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

February 19, 1968

Mr. Ernest N. Morial
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Dear Ernie:

We will be happy to pay your travel and hotel costs for the meeting this weekend. And, it will be good to see you again.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 19, 1968

Mr. Nat Griswold
1220 West Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas 79201

Dear Nat:

Under separate cover, we are returning your chapters, together with two Xerox copies of each.

We are glad to help out a little.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 19, 1968

Mr. Herman Gallegos
150 Corona Street
San Francisco, California 94127

Dear Mr. Gallegos:

You requested a copy of our budget during the meeting in Denver. As it happens, copies of our 1967 audit have just become available, and I think it might be more useful to the committee organizing the Southwest Council of La Raza. It provides information not only about the amount of our expenditures for vaious items, but also the sources of our income.

A copy is enclosed. If there are any questions pertaining to this or any other matter, please write.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to meet all of the members of the committee and to participate in the Denver meeting.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

cc: Mr. Maclovio R. Barraza, President

February 19, 1968

Mr. Will C. Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council
 on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,250.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid for 1968 to the North Carolina Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enclosures - 2

February 19, 1968

Mr. William E. Hull
New Testament Interpretation
The Southern Baptist Theological
  Seminary
2825 Lexington Road
Louisville, Kentucky 40206

Dear Mr. Hull:

Thank you for taking the time to write us your reasons for not re-subscribing to NEW SOUTH. Since I am hardly an unbiased observer, I cannot agree that our scope is as limited as you say; however, it is a fact that the Southern Regional Council is concerned primarily with matters centering about race. It is our belief, indeed, that none of the other problems you mention can be solved until the South faces the fact that its racial relations remain its most restrictive barrier to full development of its economic, political, cultural, and religious life.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

February 19, 1968

Miss Annie Pratt
Spelman College
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Miss Pratt:

Thank you for letting us read your poems, Polemic for Voices." While we do occasionally publish a short poem, I am afraid the overall length of your work would be prohibitive for us.

Many thanks, again.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

Encl. - 1.

February 19, 1968

Mrs. Walter Johnson
27 Wilikoki Place
Kailua, HAWAII

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

We appreciate your taking the time to write us your thoughts about Mr. Rustin's article. I am sorry that your reaction was so strong that you decided not to renew your NEW SOUTH subscription. As you will note on page 2, we do not present the articles in the magazine as the view of the Southern Regional Council, but, rather, "as significant expression about the subjects with which the Southern Regional Council is concerned." I think Mr. Rustin's piece certainly falls into that broad general classification.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

February 19, 1968

Mr. Howard N. Meyer
76 Tarance Street
Rockville Centre, New York 11570

Dear Howard:

I bow to your wishes, albeit regretfully. Keep us in mind, however, for future material, and let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

February 19, 1968

Mr. Frank Adams
The Virginia Council
on Human Relations
17 East Cary Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Frank:

At last, a reply. I have mixed feelings about it -- not the quality, but the paying of a standard writer's fee for a previously published piece. What size figure were you thinking of for Woodlief?

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

February 19, 1968

Mr. W. H. Ferry
Center for the Study of
  Democratic Institutions
The Fund for the Republic, Inc.
Box 4068
Santa Barbara, California

Dear Ping:

Thanks for your note, and for sharing your doleful thoughts. Hell, I don't think you're deluded, nor do I think our book will do much to dissuade you. But I have some mostly instinctive trepidations. I'll try to explain.

Take the speech Ken Clark made to our Annual Meeting (a copy of which I'll send as soon as it gets back from the printers). He set out the rational case against all of the irrationalities in the black power rhetoric about as well probably as the job could be done. But it was kind of like somebody setting out the rational case against believing in witches during the Salem thing. It just didn't deal with what is happening on its own psychological terms -- which sure ain't rationality.

The roots of black power are in the unreasoning and overpowering anger we all have felt in the face of the brutishness and ox-dumbness and ruthlessness of racism; whatever validity it has is in the honesty and justness and cathartic qualities of this anger. There is no logical validity to it, God knows, and to me anyhow it is the bitterest of all those bitter ironies that the South has through its history created.

In one way of reading it, your speech is a logical extension of the key emotional premise of black power -- that the white majority is incurably racist and there's nothing to be done about that so let's be about something else on logical (not emotional) grounds. I question the premise.

I'm enclosing good old Jimmy Ward for the obvious kind of misunderstanding I'm sure you anticipated for the speech. I would suggest a more profound kind of misunderstanding that it encourages -- the willingness so sweepingly to solidify non-southern white racism as, first, a consistent and unchangeable historical fact, and, second, to ignore the psychological reality of conflicting emotional drives such as fascinated Myrdal in white Southerners, the racism and the American creed. The white Southerner has the conflict in an especially crippling kind of way: racism was driven home in his childhood conditioning just as strongly as the creed. I don't think this is true of white non-Southerners; certainly the racism has not had the trappings of respectability and morality. All I'm trying to say is that at worst the racism outside the South is the kind of thing that bothers the conscience of whites. You can work on this conscience; that's far better than having to change it. For in the South, of course, rejection of racism bothers the conscience; it is going back on one's upbringing. So I am just not as pessimistic about the rest of the country as you are, and maybe this is because I see and feel here in the South a breaking, first, of the dilemma of the conflicting childhood conditioning away from overt racism, and, second, because I am persuaded that in the normal dynamics of the changes in law, etc., that have occurred in the past six years, that is to say the profound change in the institutions of southern culture, there is rapid change in the conditioning parents pound into their children.

I don't know enough about political science or history to comment on your notion of adjusting the constitution to contain the reality of separatist tendencies. I do know enough about separatism to say I don't want to live in such a country.

You suggest that priorities in congressional appropriations reflect priorities in the mind of the public.

I would doubt the existence of such public priorities except in muddled, sentimental feeling (and this would be away from war toward Christian charity, if you please), and just plain reject the notion that there is any significant correlation between what Congress and the President do and what the run of people, white, black, all classes, think they want. It seems to me the problems of powerlessness, of lack of awareness of this among the powerless, of all the governmental and business control are what is really at issue here. And here I think your despair over white racism (and I would guess black power) misses the flavor of originality in the southern movement which has gone right along with (and despite) black power in dealing with these very problems. Not the least of the originality is a perception rare I would guess in any social struggle of the real (as opposed to sentimental and anachronistic) issues. There is awareness, for example, of the control power over individuals and organizations of welfarism, and a will to resist. I hope, incidentally, that SRC can during the coming year make some of this clear to the nation, suggesting that the movement is not dead, and that black power is an ambiguous emotional undercurrent to it, and not the only or even the main thrust of it. The important, original things, it seems to me, include the stress on participatory democracy; on valuing people over property and production; on group rather than individual interests and psychology; on living over making a living. (I don't want to romanticize or exaggerate; these are only threads in what is happening -- but I think durable ones.) Southerners, white as well as black, are still able to feel there is meaning to their lives, worthiness in their struggles with the primal problems of race and poverty they still are dealing with -- and since maybe this is the last place in the advanced societies where such a sense of meaningfulness continues, there can develop out of it some values and techniques (akin to what is developing out of the poor and colored nations) that will serve us in the future as underlying strengths of culture in that strange new world upon us you guys kept warning about. It is to this, anyhow, I think we have to look -- instead of to separatism.

This isn't thought out or organized; it just tries to reflect the strong reaction I had to the speech -- and I would guess that was your main purpose.

Anyhow, thanks for letting me read the thing and rant on. What plans, if any, are there for publication? We might be interested.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl. - 1.

February 19, 1968

Mr. Norman Shavin
Assistant to the Regional
  Director
Department of Health, Education,
  and Welfare Regional Office
Region IV
Room 404, 50 Seventh Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Dear Norman:

May we keep your speech yet a while longer? We normally have a section in NEW SOUTH devoted to speech excerpts, but the coming issue is, in a sense, a special issue -- a single, book-length article.

Thanks for your patience.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

February 19, 1968

Mrs. Paul R. Hootman
1102 Croft Avenue
Aiken, South Carolina 29801

Dear Mrs. Hootman:

Thank you, first of all, for the subscription to NEW SOUTH. Thank you also for informing us about the South Carolina welfare report in the NEW YORKER. It would be interesting to see what the response of the state is to your query.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

February 20, 1968

Miss Revelle Pergament
24470 Haskell
Taylor, Michigan

Dear Revelle:

When do you need final confirmation from us on the summer employment? If time is urgent, call me collect. Otherwise, let me know at your convenience.

This is being written on the assumption that we will have no difficulty in getting together on final arrangments.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 20, 1968

Mr. Hodding Carter, III
Editor and Publisher
Delta-Democrat Times
Greenville, Mississippi 38701

Dear Hodding:

Forgive me this delay in providing further information about the meeting with the Ford staff in the Delta.

It has been impossible for me to give you any further information, since the schedule of the Foundation staff has been very uncertain. They have now decided to postpone the meeting until sometime later in the spring or early summer. If at that time plans are still to meet in Greenville, I will let you know.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 20, 1968

Miss Patricia G. Brown
1919 Third Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20001

Dear Miss Brown:

Very belatedly thank you for the resumé.

Our situation remains very much as we discussed on your visit here. We will be able to consider summer employment, though I believe you will be interested in something more permanent and more remunerative.

Should this not be the case, I will be more than happy to discuss the situation with you further on your arrival in Atlanta.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 20, 1968

Dr. William E. Riemer
9130 S. W. 100 Street
Miami, Florida 33156

Dear Bill:

Caution and planning are requiring that I not lose my head in responding to your communication of December 22nd.

At times I am very tempted to try and find some "race relations" to do in South Florida, but then I have a return to sanity and back off from it.

More seriously, I do hope to be in Miami in the spring. I shall certainly not come without attempting to visit you and Florence and the boys. In the meantime, my best to you all, especially to George.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 20, 1968

AIR MAIL

Dr. Joseph P. Witherspoon
School of Law
Southern Methodist University
Dallas, Texas 75222

Dear Dr. Witherspoon:

Herewith is a copy of my report to Paul Anthony on the Denver meeting, along with several items of pertinent information.

As I indicated in one of our telephone conversations, we are still prepared to help explore the need and possibility of an agency in the Southwest to promote multi-ethnic alliances to work on problems of community. However, the organization of the Southwest Council of La Raza does pose some questions about formation of a second agency. Since some of the functions we had discussed as appropriate to the agency we had in mind are also purposes of SWCR, to what extent will it be necessary to revise your conception of the second agency? Can we continue to plan for a May meeting, or should the whole matter be postponed until the Southwest Council of La Raza gets underway? How could competition for funds be avoided?

I am inclined to think that the logical next step is to arrange for you to meet with two or three of the leaders of the Southwest Council of La Raza --

say, Ernest Galarza, Herman Gallegos, and Maclovio Barraza. (If at all possible, I would like to be present for this consultation, also.) If such a meeting could be arranged, -- perhaps in lieu of our projected May meeting -- the rational for the organization you have in mind could be clarified and, hopefully, their support could be secured. We would be happy to finance such a consultation.

It does seem to me that, without the support of these men, a multi-ethnic organization would be doomed to fail. Obviously the minority group with the greatest felt need for a Southwest regional agency is the Mexican-Americans -- not the Anglos, and not the Negroes (for whom the Southwest is not different from other parts of the country). The men at the Denver meeting are of course not the only Mexican-American leaders, but I think they would be important enough that their non-support would kill a multi-ethnic, regional agency.

I don't mean to trouble you right now, for I know how busy you are, planning for the Austin conference. But this will get the report in your hands; and we can take the matter up sometime after the conference.

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 20, 1968

Mr. Stephen Benedict
30 Rockefeller Plaza, Room 5600
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Benedict:

Again, with gratitude, this is to request that you express to Mr. Steven C. Rockefeller our sincere appreciation for his continued interest in and support of our work.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 20, 1968

Mr. Edward L. Protz
Project Director
Undergraduate Social Welfare Project
Southern Regional Education Board
130 Sixth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30313

Dear Mr. Protz:

Your inquiry of February 12th and the related materials attached have been forward to Mr. John Boone, the director of our Project on Crime and Corrections. Mr. Boone is a social worker by profession, and I am sure he will be of any help he can to you.

Beyond that, please know that we, here, will be more than happy to be of any possible assistance to you and the project you direct.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 20, 1968

Mr. Walter W. Diggs
2708 Bellevue Road
Augusta, Georgia 30904

Dear Mr. Diggs:

Again, it was a pleasure meeting you on Monday.

Under separate cover we are sending you a rather substantial collection of our publications and several recent issues of our quarterly magazine, New South.

If we can be of any further assistance I do hope you will let us know.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 20, 1968

Mrs. Glenn E. Laskey
President, Woman's Division
Board of Missions of the Methodist Church
710 North Vienna
Ruston, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Laskey:

Certainly I more than understand why it will not be possible for you to serve on the Program Committee.

Please do take care of yourself and have a complete recovery. We shall look forward to some time in the not-too-distant future when we can call on you again.

With every good wish from all of us here.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 20, 1968

Miss Abigail Doggett
Box 6337 College Station
Durham, North Carolina 27708

Dear Miss Doggett:

Thank you for thinking of us. I am pleased to know that you would like to work with an agency like ours.

Quite frankly, the great need is for experienced persons and the number of young people who want to get into this work is larger than the number of positions available. This, to us, is encouraging, but it certainly is not to the young people concerned.

However, if you would send me your vita sheet, I would be happy to do anything possible to help you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 20, 1968

Professor James Sheets
395 Castle Shannon Boulevard
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15234

Dear Professor Sheets:

Under separate cover I am sending you the materials you requested.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 20, 1968

Mrs. John A. Edwards
Chairman
Voter Registration Drive
Charleston Branch, NAACP
51 Poinsett Street
Charleston, South Carolina 29503

Dear Mrs. Edwards:

Thank you very much for bringing us up-to-date on the progress of your registration campaign. I look forward to receiving the additional report you mentioned.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

cc: Mr. Christopher Bright

February 20, 1968

Mr. Horace T. Ward
859½ Hunter Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Horace:

This is to confirm, per our telephone conversation, that you are scheduled to participate in the Institute for Louisiana Elected Officials Saturday, March 2 at the Roosevelt Hotel. The panel that we have placed you on is entitled "Serving The People - How and Why."

Enclosed are two (2) flite Checks for your travel. Thank you again for your willingness to participate in the Institute.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 20, 1968

Mr. Murphy Bell
Attorney at Law
P. O. Box 319
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Murphy:

This is to confirm, per your telephone conversation, that you will participate in the Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials Friday, March 1 at the Roosevelt Hotel.

To give you some idea of the Mississippi Institute, we are enclosing a copy of the agenda for that meeting. The VEP will reimburse your travel expenses and provide you with a modest honorarium. Accommodations have been made for you for Thursday, February 29.

Thank you again for your willingness to participate in the Institute.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 20,1968

Miss Barbara Jordan
Attorney at Law
5303 Lyons Avenue
Houston, Texas 77020

Dear Miss Jordan:

Enclosed are two flight checks to be used in connection with the meeting of the Negro Elected Officials Institute in New Orleans on March 1-2, 1968 at the Roosevelt Hotel.

Thank you again for your willingness to participate in the Institute.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 20, 1968

The Reverend O. L. Virgil
1601 Fourth Street
Lake Providence, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Virgil:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 14. Pursuant to your request concerning Mr. Armstrong attending the Institute in your stead, this will be all right.

We appreciate your interest and thank you for writing us.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

February 20, 1968

Mr. Joseph Delphin
Route 1, Box 38
Natchez, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Delphin:

Thank you for your letter of February 18 informing us that you were recently elected Justice of the Peace from Ward 9 in Natchitoches County, Louisiana.

On behalf of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Incongratulate you on your impressive victory. Your election is certainly a source of pride and challenge to you as a Negro elected official.

To assist you in meeting this challenge, we urge you to attend our Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials on Friday and Saturday, March 1-2, 1968. The Institute will be held at the Roosevelt Hotel, 123 Baronne Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, under the sponsorship of the Voter Education Project.

This Institute will provide instruction and guidance on the problems of serving as an elected official in Louisiana. Competent resource persons from Louisiana and other states will conduct workshops and attempt to answer any questions you may have concerning your particular office. In short, the Institute is designed to help you meet the challenges of elective office.

Your automobile expenses to and from New Orleans will be paid at the rate of 8¢ per mile. Meals and hotel accommodations will be provided for you at the Roosevelt Hotel, free of charge.

Please return the enclosed acceptance card in the stamped self-addressed envelope as soon as possible. We are looking forward to seeing you in New Orleans on Friday morning, March 1, at 8:30 a.m.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

February 20, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
President
Iberville Industrial Voters League, Inc.
1812 Third Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

I am enclosing a boiled down version of your press release. Please carefully check all facts and quotations and let me know if any changes are necessary. Also please advise me if there have been any later developments.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

February 21, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Executive Director
Tennessee Council on Human Relations
818-B 17th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Baxton:

This is in reply to your letter of February 12 requesting a grant of $500.00 "to seek out students and plan for a student-related Human Relations Council" in Tennessee.

We want to help here if we possibly can. Could you give us some specifics as to what needs to be done to start a student human relations council and, particularly, a breakdown on how the money would be used? (As you may recall, the donor of our funds for student work retains a final say-so, and we have to provide specifics.)

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 21, 1968

Mr. Jacob Henderson
Economic Development Administration
305 Bona Allen Building
133 Luckie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Jake:

Thank you again for agreeing to give a ten minute address on Saturday at our meeting at the Biltmore Hotel on the general subject of regional economic development.

We hope to have Emory Via, University of Wisconsin, to give a 10 minute preview of a broad overview of current regional economic development and the problems associated with it. You may wish to limit yours to somewhat more in terms of your recent experiences. But, please feel free, however, to say whatever you think should be said.

Enclosed is a brief description of our interpretation of this subject, as well as the other three subjects to be covered.

There will be workshops on this and three other subject areas, all on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning -- 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. While we don't want to impose on you, should you be available as a resource for any or all of these sessions, we would be grateful.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

February 21, 1968

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125½ Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Jimmy:

I am enclosing a ~~boiled down~~ rewritten version of your press release. Please carefully check all facts and quotations and let me know if any changes are necessary.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

(504) - 555 - 1212

February 21, 1968

Mr. A. P. Tureaud
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Dear Mr. Tureaud:

This is to confirm, per your conversation with Mr, Rougeau, that you are scheduled to participate in the Institute for Louisiana Elected Officials Friday and Saturday, March 1-2, 1968 at the Roosevelt Hotel. The panel that we have placed you on is entitled "Duties and Responsibilities of the Elected Official" with emphasis on the duties of the justice of the peace. Saturday you have been asked to discuss, with several other consultants, "Services Available to the Elected Official."

To give you some idea of the format we are enclosing a copy of the agenda of the Mississippi Institute. The VEP will provide you with a modest honorium.

Thank you again for your willingness to participate in the Institute.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 22, 1968

Mr. D. H. Wicks
Mississippi Valley State College
Itta Bena, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Wicks:

I appreciate the opportunity to keynote your conference on February 29th. Some biographical material is listed under my name on the attached.

At the present, I am Director of the Southern Regional Council's Project on the Administration of Justice. Attached is a document that we published recently.

Please telephone me at 522-8764, if necessary.

Sincerely yours,

John O. Boone, Director
Project on Crime &CCorrections

JOB/vmb

Enclosure: 2

February 22, 1968

Professor Edwin D. Harrison
Office of the President
Georgia Institute of Techinology
Atlanta, Georgia 30332

Dear Professor Harrison:

Thank you very much for your letter of 19th February concerning the Doxiadis Luncheon on 27th February. I will be delighted to attend and will look forward to seeing you at that time.

Sincerely,

Moreland Griffith Smith
FAIA
Director
Urban Planning Project

MGS/rh

February 22, 1968

Professor Joseph P. Witherspoon
School of Law
The University of Texas
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Dr. Witherspoon:

This is in reply to your letter of February 19 to both Paul Anthony and me.

We did receive the shipment of 300 conference announcements and promptly mailed them to officers of the Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, and Houston Councils on Human Relations, with the remainder going to business men in those states.

The program and arrangements as you have outlined them are impressive. We are grateful to you and your colleagues and anticipate a memorable and fruitful conference. Having had some experience with passive co-sponsors of conferences, we are embarrassed that you are contributing so much and we so little to this one.

We would like some literature from the Southern Regional Council to be displayed, on a limited basis, and will get in touch with Mrs. Edward Stern to make arrangements. Thank you for this information.

Both Paul Anthony and I will be present for the briefing session on Wednesday evening. We agree that it is a good idea.

I will undertake to prepare a short list of questions for each of the eleven workshops, as you request, with a view to stimulating discussion. We certainly agree, however, that these should be offered only as aids to those workshop chairmen who find them helpful; those who have worked out their own plans should be encouraged to use them.

Yes, I am also willing to undertake a summary at the final session -- with some misgiving, for it appears to be a formidable task. Perhaps preparation of the lists of questions will tie in with the task of summarization. My impression is that you intend this to be a summary of the workshops, not the whole conference. Is that correct?

As for the matter of publicity, I am sure Mr. Spelce has already thought of everything that comes to our minds. Invitations to cover the conference should be sent to the appropriate bureaus of the Associated Press and United Press International. You might consider a letter over your own signature to the regional bureaus of *Newsweek*, *Time*, and the *Wallstreet Journal*. (There is a remote chance that the Journal would do one of their feature articles on the conference or its subject.) If reporters ask for guidance to the salient sessions, I would suggest the Thursday morning and Saturday morning sessions. You might consider arranging a press conference for the panelists and discussants immediately after each of those sessions. If you wish, we could try to draft in advance a news release on Mr. Charles Morgan's remarks. (He usually has something to say and says it in a notable manner, and given the nature of the conference, his remarks are likely to be particularly important.)

We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

February 22, 1968

Miss Hannah Campbell
Readers Digest
200 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Miss Campbell:

Under separate cover I am sending you the voter registration figures you requested.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 22, 1968

Miss Beatrice Olsen
Metropolitan Applied Research
Center, Inc.
330 West 58th Street
Suite 16-F
New York, New York 10019

Dear Bea:

Following are the expenses incurred in my travel to New York on February 10-11 for MARC's meeting at the Park-Sheraton hotel.

Round trip fare (Air) - - - - (Receipt attached)	$ 126.00
Hotel - - - - - - - - - (Receipt attached)	26.50
Taxi fare from residence to airport & return (Atlanta) No cab fare for N. Y. -- Rented Car)	12.00
Gratuities - - - - - -	2.00
Total	$ 166.50

I think we had a good meeting and hopefully a great deal will come from it.

Please give my love to Dixie and my regards to the rest of the staff.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

February 22, 1968

Mrs. Carol Moore
Child Development Group
Tri-County Community Action, Inc.
208 College Street
Laurinburg, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Moore:

It was an inexpressable pleasure to have met you and become acquainted with your work in the Tri-County area. I trust everything is going well at this time.

Hopefully, I'll be in Scotland County in March and would like very much to chat with you about what is presently going on there. Perhaps we can have lunch then.

Oh yes! I've placed your name on VEP's mailing list in order that you might keep informed in the political sphere.

Best wishes.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

February 22, 1968

Mr. John Killens
Writer-in-Residence
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear John:

It was indeed a pleasure to have met you while in New Orleans. My only regret is that I could not attend your workshop on literature. I'm sure I would have found it very informative.

As I indicated to you last Saturday, it would be great if you could do a story of your choice for SRC's *New South*. I think its readers would have much to gain from what you might have to say. I've mentioned it to Pat Watters and Bob Anderson (the editor_ and they would like very much for you to write for us.

Under separate cover I'm sending you a copy of *New South* for your perusal.

Best wishes.

Peace!

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

P.S.
I'm sending you a copy of the script we're using for the Second Annual Penny Festival in Atlanta. It's honoring W. E. B. DuBois and will be this weekend. A. B. Spelman wrote the enclosed.

February 22, 1968

Mr. Silas Smith
Chairman
Houston County Voters League
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 14 concerning your coming registration program. We are indeed delighted to know that the interest in voter registration in Warner Robins is still high.

In order to evaluate your program we will await your proposal. We appreciate your interest and thanks for writing.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

February 22, 1968

Mr. Ronald Charity
453 South Main Street
Danville, Virginia 24541

Dear Ron:

This brief note is to thank you for everything during my stay in your adopted city. May I congratulate you for the service that you are rendering to your community.

May you continue to enjoy success in this and future efforts, and when you are in Atlanta please give me a call.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

February 23, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Clark
Director
Metropolitan Applied Research Center,
Inc. (MARC)
330 West 58th Street
New York, New York 10019

Dear Ken:

Per your request, enclosed is a copy of the talk that I made last Tuesday.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

February 23, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: TO

FROM: WJR

SUBJECT: Summary of Comments to VEP State Directors

The field director in his remarks discussed the need for state directors to send him a progress report on organization at the precinct level. This report is to include names and addresses of persons contacted in the organization process in order that the Atlanta office might be able to use them for various research purposes. The report is to be sent in monthly and conceivably could be the same as the one the research director receives.

Emphasis was also placed on the directors' attempting to secure meritorious complaints for federal voting registrars in the states of North Carolina and South Carolina.

February 23, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Janet Shortt

FROM: Marvin Wall

Would you please order for the VEP

1) one copy of Primary and General Election Law and Procedure by Henry W. Lewis at the Institute of Government, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina

2) two (2) copies of Where It's At - A Research Guide for Community Organizing from the Radical Education Project, 510 East William Street, Ann Arbor, Michegan 48108.

Many thanks.

February 23, 1968

Mr. Vernon A. Eagle
Executive Director
The New World Foundation
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027

Dear Vernon:

Per your request, enclosed is a copy of the talk I made last Tuesday.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

February 23, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Leslie:

Per your request, enclosed is a copy of the talk I made last Tuesday.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

February 23, 1968

Mr. Zelma Wyche
Madison Voters League
505 Green Street
Tallulah, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Wyche:

This is to confirm, per your telephone conversation with Mr. Wall, that you are cordially invited to attend the Institute for Louisiana Elected Negro Officials on Friday and Saturday, March 1 - 2, 1968 at the Roosevelt Hotel.

The purpose of this Institute is to provide instruction and guidance on the problems of serving as an elected official in Louisiana. Competent resource persons from Louisiana and other states will conduct workshops and attempt to answer any questions the officials may have concerning their particular office..

Your presence, I am sure, will mean much to these elected officials, and we are indeed looking forward to your being there.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 23, 1968

The Honorable Thad Eure
Secretary of State
State Capitol
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Eure:

Would you please send us your booklet entitled "North Carolina Manual - 1967." Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 23, 1968

Mr. I. S. Augustine, Jr.
1470 North Claiborne
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Augustine:

This is to confirm, per your conversation with Mr. Rougeau, that you are scheduled to participate in the Institute for Louisiana Elected Officials Friday and Saturday, March 1-2, 1968 at the Roosevelt Hotel. The panel that we have placed you on is entitled "Duties and Responsibilities of the Elected Official" with emphasis on the duties of the police jurors.

To give you some idea of the format we are enclosing a copy of the agenda of the Mississippi Institute. The VEP will provide you with a modest honorium.

Thank you again for your willingness to participate in the Institute.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

Joint Meeting of

THE A. PHILIP RANDOLPH INSTITUTE AND THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia
Feb. 23 - 25, 1968

Call

We believe that the South has a unique and powerful contribution to make to the solution of the agonizing problems of this nation. Therefore, we are calling upon Southerners, both white and black, to meet in order to take advantage of an exciting possibility: that the old Confederacy can show the rest of the nation the way to a society of true equality. We believe that the South has been denied this opportunity in the past because of the relationship between the races.

Race hatred was made the basis of many public institutions and precisely for this reason, the South has confronted the issue in its starkest form. In the North, prejudice was much more sophisticated. It employed hidden, complex mechanisms, like the job and housing markets. And its discreet ways of exploiting and brutalizing Negroes allowed - and still allows - many whites to evade the basic moral question.

In the Fifties and Sixties, the courage and non-violent dedication of Southerners, black and white, destroyed the formal, institutional system of segregation. Because of this process and other recent experiences, the South understands, as no other section of the country does, that it must make a fundamental, ethical choice.

Throughout the South there are also millions whose consciences have been sorely tried and changed and who are now prepared to join in building a new South based on the worth of men and women as individuals. We propose to appeal to the conscience of these men and women on behalf of a united South prepared to eliminate poverty and establish justice for all.

Historically, the South has paid the price of economic backwardness in return for the North's agreement to bring Reconstruction to an end and permit the system of segregation. The "triumph" of white supremacy turned the area into a semicolonial dependency of the advanced industry in the rest of the country. As a result, the impoverishment of the overwhelming majority, both white and black, was guaranteed.

But here again there is a positive aspect to a tragic legacy. Because the South is even now still arriving at the stage of modern technology, it need not repeat the errors which were committed in the North.

By jamming Negroes (many of them displaced persons who had been driven from the southern fields) into teeming, rat-infested ghettoes, providing them with inferior schools which did not prepare many of them for the economy and society in which they were to live, and by thus imposing the economic and social conditions of the affluence, the North laid the basis for the racial violence and hatred which now racks its great cities.

We believe that many Southerners - including some who are not initially moved by conscience but seek only their self-interest - do not want to repeat these tragic patterns. Out of morality and out of practicality, we have profound reasons to seek a new relationship between the races as a fundamental first step toward a new and progressive South. Having done this, the vision of democracy we hold for the South can be realized.

If the South is to build a modern economy and be restored to its rightful place in the nation socially and politically, it cannot fool itself, as the North does. Economic and social justice are essential for all if peace and progress are to prevail. No other approach can avoid the same explosive injustice that rends the North.

Therefore, we summon Southerners, both black and white, to the duty, the opportunity and the challenge to participate in a common effort, laying aside past racial antagonisms, to construct a just social order for all people.

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Joint Meeting of

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, February 23, 1968 - P.M.:

8:00 P.M.	Opening session

SATURDAY, February 24, 1968:

9:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.	Working sessions

SUNDAY, February 25, 1968:

9:30 A.M. - 12:00 Noon	Final session and adjournment

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We hope all participants will be able to take care of their own expenses as we have very limited funds for this meeting. However, a small amount is available for travel and hotel costs. If you wish to attend and cannot do so without assistance, please let us know.

February 26, 1968

Mr. James R. Stokely
405 Clifton Heights
Newport, Tennessee 37821

Dear Mr. Stokely:

My initial response still stands and I do think "space, pressures, and complications" notwithstanding that we can publish much of it. The difficulty has been that the complications have simply precluded us giving you the good in-depth reading that you deserve. Poetry isn't a think that I like to react to on one or even two readings. I'm not a real poetry critic, I guess, or I could do so. So, if you will, bear with me and understand that my "deliberate speed" is the result of my deep interest -- rather than lack thereof.

I have just received your additions. Will write you again soon.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

February 26, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Les:

One last desperate try. Hope this is it. If not, I'm lost as to what and where!

The Johnsons are all recuperating from the 'flu. Hopw the Dunbars have managed to escape it.

Best.

Sincerely,

February 26, 1968

Mr. John O. Killens
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear John:

The Penny Festival was nice. The response from the community was heartening. Wish you could have been here.

Enclosed is a program.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

February 26, 1968

Mr. Nils R. Douglas
Collins, Douglas & Elie
1110 Medallion Tower
344 Camp Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Nils:

It was good seeing you this past weekend. Sorry the proceedings weren't a bit more imaginative.

As promised, the script is enclosed.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

February 26, 1968

Mr. Dave Dennis
3529 St. Anthony
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dave:

The Penny Festival was terrific, man. It drew very well and got very good response from the audiences. Wish you could have been here. Script and programs are enclosed.

Saw Ruth and Vincent. Both said hello.

Until this weekend.

Uhuru!

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

February 26, 1968

Miss Mertis Rubin
c/o Mrs. Lela Lee
1618 Dounton Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Miss Rubin:

Mr. Wall has been out of the city a great deal of the time during the past month and so has been unable to asnwer your letter. He asked me to tell you that a check for $25.00 has been mailed to you and that he will be in touch with you soon.

Sincerely,

Margaret Jennings
Secretary to Mr. Wall

February 26, 1968

Mr. Reese Cleghorn
Atlanta Journal
10 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Reese:

The necessary Flite-Cheks for your trip to and from New Orleans, March 1 and 2, are enclosed.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 26, 1968

Mr. Julian Bond
162 Eurahlee Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Julian:

The necessary Flite-Cheks for your trip to and from New Orleans, March 1 and 2, are enclosed.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 26, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

The attached press release needs to be sent to all plates in the press category.

Many thanks.

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February 26, 1968

The Reverend C. W. Ward
Raleigh Citizens Association
Raleigh Branch, NAACP
101 South Wilmington Street
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Ward:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Raleigh Citizens Association for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Raleigh and Wake County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from March 1 to April 26, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Salary	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Transportation		400.00
(10) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	1,200.00
(5) Registrars	@ $1.25 per hour for 9 hours per week	450.00
Printing		130.00
		$ 2,500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with these requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards
W. C. Patton

February 27, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mailroom

FROM: Jim Wood

Please send one copy of the "Orangeburg" report to Mr. Teddy O'Toole, 2115 "F" Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. Label is attached.

JW/km

Enc.

February 27, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mailroom

FROM: Jim Wood

Please send one copy of the "Orangeburg" report to Mr. Scott Rutherford, 3605 Spring Street, Chevy Chase, Maryland 20015.

JNW/km

Enc.

February 27, 1968

Mr. Bernard LaFayette
Program Administrator
SCLC
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Bernard:

In keeping with your request,I am enclosing the attached list of Indian and Mexican-American organizations.

During my days with the Field Foundation I got to know Messers Deloria and Montoya. I think they would have some interest in the Washington campaigan.

In addition you should contact Charles Prejean, the Executive Director of the Federation of Southern Cooperatives at 52 Fairlie Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia. (Telephone 524-6098).

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosure

1. Vine Deloria, Jr., Executive Director
   National Congress of American Indians)
   1450 Pennsylvania Street
   Denver, Colorado

2. Domingo Montoya, Chairman
   All Indian Pueblo Council
   P. O. Box 262
   Bernalillo, New Mexico

3. Cesar Chavez, Director
   United Farm Workers
   Deland, California

4. Richard Geissler
   Voices in Democratic Action - VIDA
   Laredo, Texas

VIDA is an activist Mexican-American group.

February 27, 1968

Mrs. Mary Alice Baldinger
Executive Director
National Civil Liberties Clearing House
1637 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mary Alice:

Under separate cover we are sending you the requested 350 copies of the Orangeburg report.

Enclosed are my registration form and check. Look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 2.

MEMORANDUM February 27, 1968

To: Bernice C. Cook

From: MMJohnson

Bernice,

Please have packaged up and sent -- 350 copies of our ORANGEBURG REPORT to Mrs. Mary Alice ~~Baldinger~~ Baldinger, National Civil Liberties Clearing House. (label attached).

thanx, mmj

February 28, 1968

Dr. Leland DeVinney
Associate Director
Rockefeller Foundation
111 West 50th Street
New York, New York

Dear Dr. DeVinney:

Enclosed are a copy of the annual program report and audit for the calendar year.

Please know again how grateful I am not only to the Rockefeller Foundation, but to you also for your support and interest.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 2.

February 27, 1968

Dr. William C. Archie
Executive Director
Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation
Reynolda
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27106

Dear Dr. Archie:

Enclosed are our annual report on program and an audit for the calendar year.

Again, please know how grateful we are for the support of the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 2.

February 27, 1968

Mr. Lewis Black
20 Washington Street
Greensboro, Alabama

Dear Mr. Black:

This is to acknowledge your letter and the attached proposal of the Green-Hale Sewing Cooperative. When we have had an opportunity to review the proposal we will be in touch with you.

It was very good to see you last week.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

February 27, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: BERNICE COOK

FROM: JIM WOOD

Please mail EVENTS IN ORANGEBURG in 3 sets of bulk mailing: 1) Board, Foundations, Media; 2) the combined list, less media; 3) Blue Ribbon and Libraries.

February 27, 1968

Mr. James Cunningham
Professor
University of Pittsburgh
502 Bruce Hall
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Jim:

This is to confirm per our conversation last week, that I will speak at the University of Pittsburgh Monday evening, March 18, on the subject "Organizing Black Political Power---The Southern Struggle."

I plan to arrive in Pittsburgh on Monday via United Air Lines # 384 at 1:23 p. m., and will be departing on March 19 at 5:00 p. m. When I get to Pittsburgh airport, I will come directly to the Webster Hall Hotel as per your suggestion for accommodations.

I am enclosing my vita sheet as you requested.

Jim, thank you for arranging this opportunity for me, and I look forward to seeing you all on March 18.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

February 27, 1968

Mrs. Frankie M. Freeman
National President
Delta Sigma Theta, Inc.
1814 M Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mrs. Freeman:

Thank you so much for the kind invitation to be the speaker at the Social Action Luncheon at the Southern Regional Conference of the Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. in Memphis, Tennessee on Saturday, April 13. I regret to inform you that a long-standing prior commitment makes it impossible for me to come.

I always enjoy speaking to the Deltas and would like very much to come at this time, but unfortunately I cannot.

Please do not write me off and do invite me to speak again some time soon.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 27, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Leslie:

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Les, the reimbursement check should be made payable to SRC.

Thanks again and many thanks to George Loft for the thoughtful note.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

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February 27, 1968

Mr. Fred Belfield, Jr.
Director
Nash County Voter Education Project
313 Spruce Street
Rocky Mount, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Belfield:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Nash County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Nash County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,520.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from March 1 to April 26, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	240.00
(8) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	960.00
		$1,520.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with these requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, bor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: William F. Wright
John Edwards

February 27, 1968

Mr. W. W. Harleaux
1818 Haase Street
Plaquemines, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Harleaux:

This is to confirm our invitation to you to attend a reception and dinner for Louisiana Negro elected officials on Friday evening, March 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the University Room of the Roosevelt Hotel in New Orleans, Louisiana. I am certain Bill Samuel has already told you of this affair and I hope you and Mrs. Harleaux will be able to attend.

Best wishes.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

MARVIN WALL - FIELD REPORT
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA - FEBRUARY 26 and 27, 1968

This was a useful, albeit expensive, trip. The drive in Palm Beach County seemed to be going well. The project has about seven or eight local registration centers set up, each manned by a deputy registrar. They operate during the late afternoon and early evening, opening around 4:00 and closing around 8:00 or 9:00 p.m. I visited three of these local registration places. I was particularly impressed by one set up just outside the door of a grocery store. Tables, chairs and the registration forms were all there for people going in and out of this rather busy grocery store. Florida weather makes it possible for this outside registration activity to be going on in the middle of winter.

Except for the grocery store registration place the county has provided voting machines so that newly registered people can practice using the machines. The machines are, of course, very intimidating and frightening to newly registered voters. The county supervisor of elections has been most accomodating and friendly to the registration drive. He is seeking re-election and I am told that he would not be surprised if his friendliness to the registration drive were not used against him.

The Palm Beach County Voters League will have the use of these machines for a limited period. I told Mr. Cunningham of the difficulty some of our other registration drives had had in securing the use of machines. I urged him to organize evening workshops or classes so that people in the neighborhood could get intensive training on the use of the machines and so that full use of the machines could be made while they are available.

The drive is also operating in Martin County, a small county to the North, which is in the same legislative district. According to our figures registration in Martin County already is relatively high, standing at about 70 per cent of the Negro voting age population. In much larger Palm Beach County, on the other hand, Negro registration is only about 60 per cent of the voting age population. This is about in line with the state and regional average. I suggested to Cunningham that it might be wise to concentrate on the Palm Beach County rather than spending any time and effort in sparsely populated Martin County. Cunningham's was that the people in Martin County also have political needs. As I was leaving West Palm Beach I read that HEW had ordered Martin County to speed up its elimination of its dual school system.

Cunningham already is a city councilman in Riviera Beach and is an announced candidate for the legislature. As I left West Palm Beach I suggested to him that we might need to turn operation of the project over to the Rev. Evans, who actually is running it anyway. Cunningham said this would suit him fine. Mr. Evans gave me his calling card but I seem to have misplaced it. I asked Mr. Cunningham if he gave us Mr. Evans' full name in his proposal. Mr. Evans came to my hotel room and carried me to Mr. Cunningham's office and then the three of us had dinner after visiting some of the registration centers. Mr. Evans impresses me as being an able and effective man. He is on the young side and is a native of Ocala.

Mr. Cunningham is likewise very able and very affable, but he is also very busy. He seems to have a pretty active law practice. He said he had to improvise a financial report form because the report forms sent him by Thad either didn't get there or were misplaced after they got there. I was chagrinned to find that he had not turned over the "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" booklets to Mr. Evans. I promised Mr. Evans we would send an additional supply of booklets. My primary reason for going to West Palm Beach was to address the Palm Beach Chapter of the Florida Council on Human Relations. The president, Mr. Edward Rodgers, met me at the airport along with Mrs. George Oldham, who once worked for COPE and whose husband is a labor leader in Palm Beach County. Mr. Rodgers was re-elected president of the chapter while I was there. He is a Negro lawyer was has run unsuccessfully for the school board in Palm Beach County. My talk was based on some notes which are attached scribbled down during the afternoon.

Only about 20 or 30 people were there. The rest of the county was at a school board meeting at which the board voted to accept the resignations of striking teachers.

Bill Miles of the Florida Council on Human Relations drove up to West Palm Beach for the meeting. Over refreshments afterwards he told me of the registration drive he would like to have in Miami. I made some suggestions to him for writing his proposal. I also promised to send him a copy of our guidelines. I am very impressed by Bill and I believe he would mount a good registration campaign.

From what little I was able to see of it, Palm Beach County is a most interesting place. It ranges from the extreme wealth of Palm Beach on the East to the extreme poverty of the migrant camps at Wehoke and Belle Glade on the West. As is the case elsewhere in South and central Florida there is a strong Birch movement. A pending appearance of Phyllis Sloply was being advertised in the lobby of the hotel where I stayed.

Instead of closing this report with a poem, I will close it with an anecdote. At the end of the meeting where I gave my fumbling speech I talked briefly with a 73 year old widow who was born in Vienna, Austria and who came to this country many years ago. Quite suddenly she told me that the value of a dollar had gone in a specified number of year to 41¢. She said that she, like many others in Palm Beach County, is living on a fixed income. She has figured out that she cannot afford to live to be 83 years old because by then the dollar will not but enough to keep her alive. I talked to about the National Senior Citizens organization and Medicare which she strongly favors. Of course this kind lady would never have anything to do with the harsh doctrines of Birchism, but there are thousands like her in South Florida to whom Birchism is more appealing. As I watched the many elderly people around the hotel where I was staying it struck me that fear of old age, rather than fear of communism has much to do with the strenght of Birchism in Florida.

February 27, 1968

Mr. Duane W. Beck
Executive Director
Community Council of the
Atlanta Area, Inc.
1000 Glenn Building
120 Marietta Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Duane:

This is in response to your letter of February 21 requesting my services on the Personnel Committee of the Council. Considering my attendance record at Board meetings, I must confess surprise at being asked to serve. However, I am very willing to do so and will make every effort to attend the meetings.

As you well know my travel schedule, more than anything else, has prevented my attendance at the several Board meetings. Traveling this year, hopefully, will diminish to some extent and will therefore increase my availability for meetings.

I feel that I must advise you that plans are afoot for me to be absent from the city the first six months of 1969. I am planning to take leave from the Council to be a Fellow at the John F. Kennedy Institute of Politics at Harvard University. You may want to take this into consideration regarding my appointment to the Personnel Committee. In any event, whatever decision is made please know that I am ready and willing to serve.

See you at Marietta and Broad.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 27, 1968

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr.
Atlanta Life Insurance Company
148 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Hill:

In response to the proposal submitted to the Voter Education Project on February 14, 1968 by the All Citizens Registration Committee, please be advised that the VEP is not in a position to make a grant to ACRC at this time.

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Thank you kindly for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

cc: Senator Horace Ward, Dr. Lee Shelton,
The Rev. Dwight Jackson

February 27, 1968

Mr. Alex K. Brock
Executive Secretary
State Board of Elections
Post Office Box 1166
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Brock:

We would appreciate it very much if you would send us your latest registration statistics for North Carolina by county and by race.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 27, 1968

Mr. William Samuel
1812 Third Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Mr. Samuel:

Enclosed is our check for the services rendered to the VEP in connection with the Louisiana Institute.

If we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 27, 1968

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All-Citizens Registration Committee
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
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Thanks again Les, and many thanks to George Law for the thoughtful note.

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 27, 1968

Mr. Jack Wofford
Associate Director
Institute of Politics
Harvard University -- Littauer Center
Cambridge, Massachusetts 20138

Dear Jack:

Thanks for planning my short stay in Cambridge so well, it was delightful. Please thank everyone at the Institute for their part in making my stay what it was.

My travel expenses were as follows:

Round trip fare (N. Y. to Boston)	$ 39.90
Cabs (Logan airport to Signet Society) Gratuities included	7.00
	$ 46.90

Please give my regards to Dick & Laurie, and the others I met while there.

Mr. Jack Wofford - 2.
February 27, 1968

It was good seeing everyone, and I look forward to seeing them some January, 1968.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 27, 1968

Mr. David Hill
Executive Director
Mayor's Commission on Human Resources
535 Fifth Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Dave:

Just a note to say that I plan to be in Pittsburgh on March 18-19, as a guest of the Graduate School of Social Work at the University of Pittsburgh. If you've got a spare minute during that time, I hope we can get together.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

February 27, 1968

Mr. Robert Ingram
President
Hancock County Democratic Club
718 New Street
Sparta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Ingram:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 27, 1968

The Reverend C. W. Ward
Raleigh Citizens Association
Raleigh Branch, NAACP
101 South Wilmington Street
Raleigh, North Carolina

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Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

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Nash County Voter Education Project
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Rocky Mount, North Carolina

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Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 27, 1968

Mr. Willie Hazelwood
283 Central Street
Belzoni, Mississippi 39038

Dear Mr. Hazelwood:

It is wonderful to know that you plan to establish a voter registration campaign in Belzoni.

In order for us to properly evaluate your program we will need a proposal. Therefore we are enclosing our guidelines, outlining requirements for recipients of grants, and invite you to submit a proposal in compliance with these guidelines.

The Project will be happy to do whatever we can to promote your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

February 28, 1968

Mr. James V. Cunningham
Action-Housing, Inc.
1 Gateway Center
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

Since talking with you last month I have been in contact with several young people about the possibility of studying in the area of community organizing at the University of Pittsburgh. I was more than surprised of the interest of so many of these young people who dropped out of college to work for local organizations, and other groups such as SNCC, CORE, SCLC, etc.

Will you please send me more information on the program. In addition,should I suggest to these young people that they get in touch withyyou or could I provide you with a list of applicants.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

February 28, 1968

Mr. Robert Mants, Jr.
353 N. Harvey Street
Greenville, Mississippi 38701

Dear Bob:

We have your letter of February 21 and we do appreciate your continuous interest in the needs and problems of the people of Lowndes County.

During our conversation a few weeks ago I think that I mentioned to you that I had been in contact with Connie Curry of AFSC, who is interested in providing the Lowndes County Movement with some resources. I am almost sure that betwen AFSC and the Community Organization Project of SRC that we will be able to work something out.

Now, I will be in Jackson on March 16th and maybe we can discuss this further at that time. I will be there attending the annual meeting of the Federation of Southern Cooperatives at Mt. Beulah Conference Center.

Good wishes.

Sincerely yours

John Lewis

JL/rh
cc: Connie Curry

February 28, 1968

Mr. James E. Youngdahl
711 West Third Street
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Jim:

Enclosed is our check for your expenses. And, as always, we are sincerely grateful for your contribution.

Thank you for coming to the conference and for your contributions to it.

I have not had an opportunity to talk to John Boone since you and Bill commented on the Arkansas prison situation. However, I see nothing whatsoever wrong with your discussing this with Haley, and would appreciate knowing what comes of it.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 2. (Check and official receipt)

sent separately:

Youth Study
Economic Status - V. Henderson
Public Assistance - to what end?
Public Assistance in the South
Orangeburg Report
Greenville's Big Idea (NEW SOUTH - April-May, 1950)

February 28, 1968

Mr. Everett G. Beckman
Chairman
Liberal Arts Division
York Junior College
Country Club Road
York, Pennsylvania 17405

Dear Mr. Beckman:

Mr. Wheeler has forwarded to us your request. The booklet you refer to is a very old one, and we may not have copies available. If we do, it will be sent separately to you today.

Also, being sent today are several other publications that may be of some interest and value to you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 28, 1968

Dr. John D. Peeples, Jr.
1412 Peabody
Memphis, Tennessee 38104

Dear Dr. Peeples:

We, too, regret that you were unable to attend the meeting last weekend. As soon as possible we will have a summary of that meeting prepared, and will see that you get a copy.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

VIA AIR MAIL SPECIAL February 28, 1968

Mr. David Emmons
P. O. Box 3285
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear David:

Enclosed is the text of a wire sent to President Johnson and to Sargent Shriver.

The comments on the Green Ammndment were eliminated because we had earlier made these and other statements about that to the President, Shriver, and others.

Good luck!

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure

February 28, 1968

Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
1900 Brunswick Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina 28207

Dear Raymond:

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Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
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PA/mmj
Enclosures - 2.

February 28, 1968

The Reverend James F. Scherer
Secretary
Department of Catholic Social Services
Archdiocese of Atlanta
329 Ivy Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Father Scherer:

Thank you for the invitation to participate with you in your proposed meeting. I will be more than delighted to help in any way possible. Regrettably, on March 7th I have a longstanding commitment to speak at the University of Texas. Should you decide later that I can help in any way, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 28, 1968

Mr. Rivington R. Winant
130 East 94th Street
New York, New York 10028

Dear Mr. Winant:

This will acknowledge with our appreciation the contribution from the Constance R. Eppley Foundation in the amount of $350.00.

We are today informing Miss Titus of this, and sending her our check.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 28, 1968

Mr. Whitworth Stokes, Jr.
618 Stahlman Building
Nashville, Tennessee 37201

Dear Whit:

Thank you for the report on the Target Areas Service, Inc.

I have turned over your other letter to John Lewis. John administers the small amount of funds we have available for self-help projects. I am doubtful we can do anything to help, but will let you know if we can as soon as I can discuss this with John.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 28, 1968

Dr. M. T. Jones
President
Gammon Theological Seminary
653 Beckwith Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Dr. Jones:

I deeply regret that a longstanding commitment prevents me from attending your program on March 6 and 7.

Please let me know if there is any way I can be of assistance to you in your important work.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 28, 1968

Mr. John R. Norpel, Jr.
Acting Director of Research
Internal Security Subcommittee
Committee on the Judiciary
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Norpel:

Enclosed are the requested two copies of our report on Orangeburg. Additional copies are available if there is need for them.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 28, 1968

Mr. Robert Scrivner
Rockefeller Brothers Fund
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Scrivner:

David Freeman has informed me that our proposals currently before the Foundation will not be acted on before his departure, and that you will be responsible for them.

Please let me know if any further information is needed.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

Same ltr. to: Vivian Henderson, Earl Davis,
Jake Henderson, H. Franklin Williams
and Dr. C. G. Gomillion

February 28, 1968

Mr. Frank Smith
Director
Tennessee Valley Authority
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Frank:

Thank you again for all of your help over the weekend.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
ENcl. (Check #4202; $53.10 - for expenses)

February 28, 1968

Mr. Howard L. Miller
Assistant Professor
  of Psychology
University of Alabama
University, Alabama 35486

Dear Mr. Miller:

Your letter to Mr. Watters has been referred to our research department.

As you requested, we are mailing you under separate cover, xeroxed copies of police brutality articles and our special report on the Events at Orangeburg.

Also enclosed herein is our latest publications list. If after reading it you desire more information, please do not hesitate to write again.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR/js

Encl. - 1.

February 28, 1968

Mr. Paul Baker Newman
Queens College
Charlotte, North Carolina 28207

Dear Mr. Newman:

Thank you so much for letting us read your poems. I wish that it were possible for us to publish them all, but unfortunately this cannot be. We are not primarily a poetry magazine; we really publish no more than one or two short pieces a year and we do have long standing commitments on several already. I think some of the magazines you list as having already appeared in may well be a more appropriate market for you.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js
Encl.

February 28, 1968

Mr. Frederick C. Booker
85 Hazelton Avenue
Toronto 5, Ontario
CANADA

Dear Mr. Booker:

Thank you, indeed, for letting us read your poems. I am afraid at this time -- since we publish so little poetry -- that we will not be able to make use of what you have sent us.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js
Encl.

February 28, 1968

Mr. Warner Wilson
Associate Professor
of Psychology
University of Alabama
University, Alabama 35486

Dear Mr. Wilson:

It seems to me that your article in presentation and in content, too, more appropriately fits a professional psychological journal. I have a bit of a quarrel, too, with accepting your sample of white and Negro college student responses with the authority that you give them since they do represent a largely middle-class viewpoint or else they would not be enrolled in college.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js
Encl.

February 28, 1968

Mr. Sheldon Singer
General Manager and
Executive Vice President
WRNG Radio
3954 Peachtree Road, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Singer:

Enclosed are the materials on SRC we promised to send you.

Thanks, again, for everything.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encls. - 6.

1. SRC brochure
2. NEW SOUTH - "The SRC 1944-1964" - January, 1964
3. News clip - The Knoxville Journal, February 1, 1967
   "Journal Erred on SRC Origin"
4. News clip - The Knoxville Journal, January 28, 1967
   "Red-Rooted Council Aids Knox Group"
5. Congressional Record
   "Extension of Remarks of Hon. Richard Bolling of Missouri in the House of Representatives Monday, Mary 2, 1959 on SRC
6. Congressional Record
   "The Southern Regional Council - Origins and Aims - Report on Negro Voters" _ Speech of Hon. Paul H. Douglas to the Senate Fri., July 26, 1957.

February 28, 1968

Mr. David F. Freeman
Rockefeller Brothers Fund
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10020

Dear Dave:

Somewhat to my surprise the people at the University of Texas, who have spearheaded consideration of a Southwest Council, have taken strong exception to Ed Stanfield's memorandum. For other purposes, I will be at the University next week and will learn more then of whether or not they plan to go ahead. Certainly, for the moment no funds are called for.

Vernon did tell me of your thoughts concerning use of Leadership Project funds for our conference this past weekend. We were able to keep costs quite low, and I don't believe it will be necessary to draw on those funds. But, if we shall need to, we will do so.

I am today writing Mr. Scrivner offering any further information, should he need it, relative to our proposals.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

February 28, 1968

Mr. Eugene Patterson
Editor
The Atlanta Constitution
10 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Gene:

I've been thinking out loud a little bit and thought you might like to see my thoughts.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

February 28, 1968

Mr. Ralph McGill
Publisher
The Atlanta Constitution
10 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. McGill:

I've been thinking out loud a little bit and thought you might like to see my thoughts.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

February 28, 1968

Mr. Reese Cleghorn
Associate Editor
The Atlanta Journal
10 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Reese:

I've been thinking out loud a little bit and thought you might like to see my thoughts.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

February 28, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Janet Shortt

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

RE: Periodical and Newspaper Subscriptions

Please enter subscriptions for VEP to the following:

1.) The Journal of Negro History - Periodical

2.) The Louisiana Weekly (New Orleans) - Newspaper

3.) The Amsterdam News (New York) - Newspaper

4.) The American Political Science Review - Periodical

5.) Human Organization - Periodical

6.) Urban Affairs Quarterly - Periodical

February 28, 1968

Mr. B. R. Sears
Chairman
Voter Education Campaign Committee
Lee County Branch, NAACP
2966 Anderson Avenue
Fort Myers, Florida

Dear Mr. Sears:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of yout program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program. and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 28, 1968

Mr. Alex Alford
Chairman
Progressive Democrats
P. O. Box 412
Georgetown, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Alford:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 28, 1968

Mrs. Dorothy W. Glisson
Director, Election Division
Secretary of State
The Capitol
Tallahassee, Florida 32304

Dear Mrs. Glisson:

We would appreciate it very much if you would send us your latest registration statistics for Florida by county and by race.

Many thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

February 28, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Staff

FROM: Weldon Rougeau

RE: Memorial for Slain Orangeburg Students

A memoiral service for the three South Carolina State College students slain in the Orangeburg affair will be held on Sunday, March 3, at 5:00 p.m. in the Durham Chapel on the Emory University campus. Everyone is invited.

Thanks.

February 29, 1968

Mr. Jerry Borsteo
I. U. E. News
I. U. E.
1126 - 16th Street, N. W.
WAshington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. Borsteo:

As requested I am enclosing a copy of Mr. Jordan's biographical sketch and a photograph.

Sincerely,

Margaret Jennings
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

/mlj
Enclosure

February 29, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 50 copies of "Know Your Rights" to the address on the attached label.

Many thanks.

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February 29, 1968

Mrs. Elenora Adams
Director
Voter Registration Campaign
St. Petersburg Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 12752
St. Petersburg, Florida 33733

Dear Mrs. Adams:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the St. Petersburg Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in St. Petersburg and Pinellas County, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,400.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from March 8 to May 3, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

(5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	$ 600.00
Secretary	@ $40.00 per week	320.00
Transportation		250.00
Telephone		50.00
Office Rent		40.00
Office Supplies		50.00
Utilities		90.00
		$ 1,400.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

February 29, 1968

Mr. Johnny Popham
Chattanooga Times
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Dear Pop:

Thank you as always for your excellent story. Vernon Jordan was particularly pleased and grateful.

You simply have got to get down here sometime and visit with us.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

February 29, 1968

Miss Jacquelyn Pearsall
154 Riverway
Boston, Massachusetts 02215

Dear Miss Pearsall:

In reference to your recent query, we do not have the material you mentioned.

The Coca Cola Company is attempting to fill an educational gap by offering Golden Legacy, the illustrated Negro history magazine to the public at no cost. Maybe they have published something for the nursery school child. You may write to the Sales Promotion Department of your local Coca Cola Bottling Company.

You may also write SCLC at 330 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta 30303. They were the distributors of, A Day With Debbie, a book published especially for the younger children.

Thanks for writing us. If we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR/js

February 29, 1968

The Coca Cola Bottling Company
310 North Avenue, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30313

Dear Sirs:

Please send us all available and future issues of Golden Legacy, the illustrated Negro history magazine your company publishes.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR/js

February 29, 1968

Mr. John Merrow
R. R. #5, Box 21-D-7
Bloomington, Indiana

Dear Mr. Merrow:

Please excuse our delay in answering your letter.

Under separate cover, I am mailing you some SRC publications on the Negro.

For additional information, I would suggest the following books:

The American Negro Reference Book - John P. Davis
The Negro and the Schools - Harry S. Ashmore
Negro Political Leadership in the South - Everett Carnell Ladd, Jr.
The Negro Politician - Edward T. Clayton
The Invention of the Negro - Earl Conrad
The Negro Family: A Case for National Action - Office of Policy Planning and Research, U. S. Department of Labor

Thanks for writing us. If we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR/js

February 29, 1968

Mrs. Elizabeth Seaver
Department of Adult Publications
Board of Education
The Methodist Church
201 Eighth Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Mrs. Seaver:

We are pleased to grant you permission to quote material from our Special Report, Hungry Children. The usual credit notice will be sufficient, except for the copyright date; the report is not copyrighted.

Very truly yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

February 29, 1968

Mr. Allan Wolk
Department of Political Science
Bronx Community College
of The City University of New York
120 East 184th Street
Bronx, New York 10468

Dear Mr. Wolk:

Under separate cover we are sending you a rather substantial collection of our materials which may be of some help on your dissertation.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

February 29, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Janet Smith

FROM: Paul Anthony

Would you please put together a collection of our materials relative to the questionnaire attached and send them at your convenience.

PA/km

February 29, 1968

Mrs. W. T. Mason
2630 Chesterfield Boulevard
Norfolk, Virginia 23504

Dear Vivian:

Thank you so much for the good report on your seminar.

I am so sorry that you were unable to be here last week and even sorrier that you were ill. I hope this finds you restored to good health.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

February 29, 1968

Mr. T. Connor Spigelmire
336 Broadmoor Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21212

Dear Mr. Spigelmire:

Your inquiry of February 23 is being turned over to Mr. Marvin Wall, Director of Research for our Voter Education Project. I am sure you will hear from him shortly.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

March 1, 1968

Mrs. Elenora Adams
Director
Voter Registration Campaign
St. Petersburg Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 12752
St. Petersburg, Florida 33733

Dear Mrs. Adams:

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 1, 1968

Mr. James Landon
WSB
1601 West Peachtree, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Mr. Landon:

I am enclosing the latest voter registration statistics for North Carolina that I could find. However, you might want to check with Mr. Wall the early part of next week for any later figures.

Sincerely,

Margaret Jennings
Secretary to Mr. Wall
Voter Education Project

/mlj
Enclosure

March 1, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please mail the new VEP newsletter to all addresses in the VEP plates.

Also please mail to addresses in the following categories:

1. Board

2. FRC

4. Intergroup

5. Labor

7. Libraries

Many thanks.

March 1, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 100 copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the three VEP statewide voter education projects. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

March 1, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send ten (10) copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the State Councils on Human Relations. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

March 1, 1968

Mr. Edward L. Protz
Project Director
Undergraduate Social Welfare Project
130 Sixth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30313

Dear Dr. Protz:

Paul Anthony passed your request concerning resource persons for your Undergraduate Social Welfare Project to me several days ago. Regret that I was delayed in responding.

I am extremely interested in education for social welfare -- having supervised students on both undergraduate and graduate levels -- and see your project as essentially contributing to the development of manpower in this crucial field of endeavor.

I am attaching the names of the directors of State Councils on Human Relations who will be able to help locate necessary resources, and who may be able to personally assist in this project. I also suggest that you contact Clarence Coleman, Regional Director of the National Urban League's Southern Area, requesting that he contact his agencies about your proposal. The urban league has a careers program but it does not deal with any specific career.

I will also talk to Paul about sending you the names of selected council members who might be helpful in this endeavor.

I am also acquainted with some graduates of Atlanta University and Florida State that could be of service. Let me know if this is what you need and if I can be of assistance otherwise.

Sincerely yours,

John

John O. Boone, Director
Project on Crime and
Corrections

JOB/rh

Enclosure

March 1, 1968

Mr. Camille Gravel
611 Murray Street
Alexandria, Louisiana 71301

Dear Mr. Gravel:

This is in reply to your letter of February 29. We are happy to hear of the interest of the City of Alexandria in establishing a Commission on Human Relations.

Enclosed is a copy of a booklet, Guidelines for Municipal Human Relations Committee, published by the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials. You might wish to write to that agency, Mr. Fred Routh, Director, for additional suggestions. Perhaps he could suggest an ordinance of a city about the size of Alexandria which would serve as a model.

I would also suggest that you write for additional materials and suggestions to:

Mr. John G. Feild, Director
Community Relations Service
United States Conference of Mayors
1707 "H" Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

If we can further assist you, do not hesitate to call on us.

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director of Field Activities

JES/rh
Enclosure

March 1, 1968

Mr. Benjamin S. Ruffin
Director
United Organizations for Community
Improvement
P. O. Box 1049
Durham, North Carolina 27707

Dear Mr. Ruffin:

In Mr. Anthony's absence from the office, I am having sent to you, under separate cover, 20 copies of our Orangeburg Report.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

MEMORANDUM March 1, 1968

To: Bernice C. Cook

From: MMJohnson

Bernice,

Please package up 20 copies of ORANGEBURG and have them sent to:

Mr. Benjamin S. Ruffin
Durham, North Carolina

(Label attached)

March 1, 1968

Dr. W. Ellison Chalmers
Professor of Economics
University of Illinois
504 East Armory Avenue
Champaign, Illinois 61820

Dear Dr. Chalmers:

We are pleased to send you the requested additional three (3) copies of Dr. Clark's speech and several other items that may be of interest to you.

Thank you sincerely for your contribution of $5.00.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

MEMORANDUM March 1, 1968

To: Bernice C. Cook

From: M. M. Johnson

Bernice,

Please have packaged up and sent:

3 copies of KENNETH CLARK'S SPEECH

To:

Dr. W. Ellison Chalmers
University of Illinois

(label attached)

thanx, mmj

March 1, 1968

The Reverend Clifton G. Hoffman
Executive Director
Unitarian Universalist Association
Room 422 - 1145 Peachtree Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Cliff:

It was very thoughtful of you to comment on the annual report of the Council, and I am sincerely grateful. Copies of the report, along with this letter are being sent to Dr. Jack and Mr. Jones today.

Concerning Southern Regional Councils elsewhere. You may be interested in the fact that we have been talking with some people in the Southwest about a similar organization there and, have also been involved in assisting the creation of the Southwest Council of La Raze, a regional agency patterned somewhat after ours for Mexican-Americans throughout the Southwest. They are off to a very promising start.

As for your good Unitarian, Raymond Wheeler, we find his leadership invaluable; indeed, indispensable.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Dr. Homer Jack
Mr. Robert E. Jones

Southern , Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. A 30303
522-87

PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

MEMORANDUM March 1, 1968

To: Members of the Council

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Director

We can now inform you of those members who will serve on the Program Committee, recently created by the Executive Committee.

All who were asked to serve have found it possible to do so with one exception, Mrs. Glen Laskey of Ruston, Louisiana who, regrettably,had to decline because of illness.

Attached are the names and addresses of the members of the Program Committee. I am sure all of them will welcome your comments and/or suggestions about their deliberations.

The Committee will have two main responsibilities. A general one will be to explore ways in which members can become more involved in Council affairs and concerns. A more specific purpose will be that of involving the members during the course of this year and of creating a structure for the 1968 Annual meeting so that that meeting can have much more substance and considerably less staff reporting and action on financial and administrative affairs.

If you wish we, here, will be happy to have your comments to share with all the Committee members.

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SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL
5 Forsyth Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Program Committee
(As appointed by the Chairman of the Executive
Committee and approved by the full Committee
January 27, 1968)

Chairman

Dr. John A. Griffin
Executive Director
Southern Education Foundation
811 Cypress Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

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Sarasota, Florida 33581

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1408 Rebsamen Park Road
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28202

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University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514

Mrs. Tom Ragland
3821 Abbott Martin Road
Nashville, Tennessee 37215

Mr. John Siegenthaler
The Nashville Tennessean
1100 Broadway
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

March 1, 1968

The Honorable Richard A. Pettigrew
Florida House of Representatives
710 Ainsley Building
Miami, Florida 33132

Dear Dick:

Again, it was a real pleasure seeing you over last weekend.

We are more than pleased to cover your transportation costs. Our check for $86.10 is enclosed.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 1, 1968

Mr. Camille F. Gravel, Jr.
Gravel & Doggett
611 Murray Street
Alexandria, Louisiana 71301

Dear Mr. Gravel:

While we, too, were disappointed that you were unable to attend the meeting last weekend, we certainly understand.

Also I, too, hope we can have an opportunity in the future to work together.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 1, 1968

Mr. Benjamin Muse
Heron House
Reston, Virginia 22070

Dear Ben:

Concerning the circulars for your book, the individual here who will carry that responsibility is Jim Wood, Executive Assistant.

While it certainly could have been better, I do think the meeting last weekend was of value. Perhaps the most important part of it was that which you indicate -- namely, having an opportunity to "feel the pulse of the movement in this critical juncture." Most of the responses we have had have indicated this.

I do hope you are enjoying "the pasture," but that you will not consider it an exclusive thing. In fact, I hope we will have many opportunities to get in "trouble" together.

Have a good time in Europe. In the meantime, every good wish to you and Mrs. Muse.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 1, 1968

Mr. Oscar Cohen
Anti-Defamation League of B'nai
B'rith
315 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Oscar:

You were very thoughtful and generous, as always, to comment on our annual report as you did.

One of my real pleasures, for a number of years, has been working with the ADL and individuals such as you. I only regret we have not had more opportunities for this, and hope one of these days we can all reduce our paper shuffling enough to correct this.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 1, 1968

Mr. C. Vann Woodward
Yale University
New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Woodward:

I left the day after talking with you about Orangeburg to try to see if it were really as bad as it seemed. I am enclosing, along with the other two documents I mentioned, our report to the effect that, if anything, Orangeburg was even worse than I had thought.

The work on the report delayed this writing -- but I do want to say how good it was to talk with you and compare notes, however pessimistic.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js
Encls. - 4.

1. The Present Dilemma of the Negro - Kenneth B. Clark, Ph.D.
2. Special Report - Events at Orangeburg - Watters and Rougeau
3. Farewell to Integration - W. H. Ferry (ms)
4. News clip - "Five Negro College Heads Protest 'Storm Troops'" by Jack Nelson (LA Times 2/25/68)

March 1, 1968

The Commentary Library
165 East 56th Street
New York, New York 10022

Gentlemen:

Recently we subscribed to your magazine which we would like to continue receiving. However, it appears that you believe we have also subscribed to Commentary Library. We have not, and do not wish to.

If the only way we can receive the magazine is to belong to the Library, forget it.

Under separate cover we are returning to you "Out of the Whirlwind." We will also return to you any other unsolicited books we receive.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enclosures

March 4, 1968

Dr. Stephen J. Wright
United Negro College Fund
55 East 52nd Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Stephen:

This morning Mr. Nat Welch, a member of our board, came by to discuss a very interesting idea he has relative to a substantial financial campaign for the Atlanta University Center or, perhaps, for a larger group of schools.

Mr. Welch, formerly a very successful Alabama businessman, is now the President's representative to the Southern Interstate Nuclear Board. He has had considerable experience in fund-raising particularly with the Democratic Party.

He is going to be in New York in several weeks, and if you are available I thought the two of you should get together. This is merely to express to you that same idea.

Incidentally, Les Dunbar knows Mr. Welch quite well.

Every good wish.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

bc: Mr. Nat Welch

March 4, 1968

Mr. Martin L. McGregor, Jr.
Columbia College
Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Dear Mr. McGregor:

This is to acknowledge your letter of February 28 regarding information on Cooperative Housing.

I would like to suggest that you write to the following two groups for the information you need: ISHA - Internaional Self-Help Housing Associates, 1346 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036, and the Cooperative League of the USA, 59 East Van Buren Street, Chicago, Illinois 60605.

I don't think that you should give up on the possibility of some federal funding. We must continue to encourage the government to do more in this area.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

March 4, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Executive Director
Tennessee Council on
  Human Relations
1207 18th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Baxton:

I have just read your speech to your annual meeting. It is, if I may try to sum it up this way, damn good. I have put it in the material I shamelessly plagiarize in my own writings. Thank you sir.

And good luck.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

March 4, 1968

Dr. Melvin M. Tumin
Editor of the Research Annual
c/o Anti-Defamation League
of B'nai B'rith
316 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Dr. Tumin:

The enclosed publications do not fit into the formal exposition category in which "hypotheses, methodology, sample and findings" can be neatly catalogued; yet I think their content is of interest to your concerns. Accordingly we are not filling out your form, but are simply summarizing the contents of each publication.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

Encls.

Note: copies of these reports also enclosed.

EVENTS AT ORANGEBURG by Pat Watters and Weldon Rougeau. In this special report on the violence which rocked the Negro college city of Orangeburg, South Carolina, February 5-10, 1968, the authors, through interviews with students, townspeople, officials, and newsmen attempt to put the violence into its true perspective. The story of Orangeburg, the authors say, "is a story in microcosm of years of racial struggle in the southern pattern in that one locale, centering overtly on segregation of a bowling alley, but involving, deeper down, such public problems as poverty, racial animosity, discrimination, and educational deprivation. The events also would at least suggest the implication of forces in motion not just in Orangeburg but across America in 1967-68, including black power and white over-reaction to its emotional mood . . . the national tendency nearing public policy to a fear of riots amounting to phobia and a response to Negro unrest with massive police and military force." The report challenges statements by white officials that the violence -- in which three Negro college students were slain and 28 wounded -- was precipitated by students' firing on police.

BLACK YOUTH IN A SOUTHERN METROPOLIS. The mood of a segment of black American youth is reflected in this survey of attitudes among Negro high school students in Atlanta high schools. A total of 688 students participated. Although only 11 per cent said they were strong believers in black power and 12 per cent said they favored separation from whites, the authors predict that the present generation of Negro youth will be increasingly more militant in their demands for equal opportunity. The authors suggest that their Atlanta survey has national implications.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE: TO WHAT END? This report exposes the failure of public assistance in the nation's 100 poorest counties, 97 of which are located in the South. It statistically reveals the extreme need of the poor in these counties and gives these two reasons for the failure of public assistance in these counties: (1) Welfare programs are structured to exclude poor (The report lists eight ways public assistance restricts its number of participants.); and (2) Public assistance fails to meet the needs of the poor it serves. All states in which these counties are located have set standards of living (ranging from $1,224 to $2,391.60) which are much lower than the minimum standard of living ($3,000) established by the federal government, the report says.

A restructuring of public assistance programs is mandatory if welfare intends to serve the extreme need of the poor, the report concludes.

HUNGRY CHILDREN. Six physicians give a shocking report on the "chronic" hunger and malnutrition "found among Negro children in preschool programx in six Mississippi counties. The doctors said that preschool children in Humphreys and LeFlore (Delta counties), Clarke, Wayne, Neshoba, and Greene counties were "suffering from hunger and disease and directly or indirectly they are dying from them which is exactly what 'starvation' means." The doctors issued their report following a survey for the Field Foundation of the six counties.

IN THEIR OWN WORDS. Twenty Negro high school students tell what they experienced as they desegregated white high schools in the Deep South. Having to reckon with the deep-rooted prejudices of whites as well as Negroes, these students (ninth through twelfth graders) encounter discrimination from school personnel, including teachers, principals, and bus drivers, and harassments, particularly from white students and sometimes teachers.

Despite all these negative factors, these Negro students, encouraged by many Negro teachers and neighbors, desegregated the white schools in the Black Belt South with hopes of getting a better education and, overall, they agreed that a better education was obtained. The report, written by Mark A. Chesler, project director, Center for Research on Utilization of Scientific Knowledge, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan, includes transcripts of four taped sessions with the students.

Requested for: Research Dept.
To be approved by PA

Check No: ____________
Mailed: ____________

March 4, 1968

Bantam Books, Inc.
271 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of the Report of the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders, which sells for $1.25 in paperback.

Our check is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $1.25 check.

cc: RV

Requested for Res. Dept.

Invoice rec'd:__________
Check No;_______________
Mailed:_________________

March 4, 1968

The Advisory Commission on
Intergovernmental Relations
1800 G Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Sirs:

We would like to obtain a copy of the report recently completed by your commission on riots. Please forward a copy to us and include a bill, if there is a charge.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV

Requested for Research Department.

Invoice rec'd:___________
Check No:________________
Mailed:____________________

March 4, 1968

The Honorable Richard J. Hughes
Governor of New Jersey
Trenton

Dear Mr. Hughes:

We would like to obtain a copy of the recent report completed by your Commission on Civil Disorder which deals with what happened during the five days of violence in Newark.

Please forward a copy to us with a bill, if there is a charge.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

March 4, 1968

Miss Elizabeth Stevenson
Office of the Dean
Emory University
Atlanta, Georgia 30322

Dear Elizabeth:

Thank you for your note on the Orangeburg report. With such things as the special report on Newark and this weekend's report by the President's committee on riots, there seems a little more hope that the country will move back from the policy of massive repression.

It was good to hear from you. I've wondered what you might be working on now -- and even, out of an abundant capacity for wishful thinking, whether you might some time be interested in doing some serious piece of research and writing for us.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

March 4, 1968

Mr. James Y. Holloway
Box 936 College Station
Berea College
Berea, Kentucky 40403

Dear Jim:

I'm sending the attached to you and Will simultaneously, hoping one or the other of you or both might like it as much as I do. I suggested to Will it is in the real sense religious and worthy of your magazine. The author, Bill Beardslee, is at 2188 Murray Hill Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44106. He doesn't know I'm sending it. He interns with us summers, is studying medicine, and wants to practice where it's needed (among the poor and others who don't ordinarily get to doctors) and write.

I'm low in my spirits, low enough to cling to something like that riot committee report as some kind of hope that the institutions of the country still have enough life in them to at least acknowledge truth still.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl. - 1.

March 4, 1968

Mr. Will Campbell
Box 12044
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Will:

I'm sending the attached to you and Jim simultaneously in the hope that one or the other of you or both might see it as I do as a most profound piece of religious writing and worthy of your magazine. The author, Bill Beardslee, is at 2188 Murray Hill Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44106. He interns with us summers; you may have met him.

It was good hearing you yesterday. Like stopping the car on the side of the highway and getting away from the concrete and motor sounds and standing in the cool of the woods for a few minutes.

Come to see us.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl. - 1.

March 4, 1968

Dear Bill:

Your writing about birth is beautiful. Reverence, respect come through -- but more importantly, the sense of the greatness of life that we pass over, unseen -- maybe because we can't stand to realize.

I think the main thing this summer should be for you to get a halfway fair chance to keep developing writing skill. We'll do here anything we can toward that end.

Keep me posted.

And send some more.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters

PW:js

Mr. William Beardslee
2188 Murray Hill Road
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

March 4, 1968

Dr. C. G. Gomillion
308 Bibb Street
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

Dear Dr. Gomillion:

Belatedly, thank you for your gracious hosting of us in Tuskegee. It was a good day for us.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

March 4, 1968

Mr. F. Malcolm Cunningham
600 Rosemary Avenue
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

On the trip back to Atlanta I was amused to read the attached story in The Palm Beach Post of February 27. While Mr. Burney and Mr. Rogers feel that it is urgent for the federal government to take action with regard to the elodia weed and bridge safety, I am certain they would not see the necessity for federal action on such matters as poverty and education. I couldn't help wondering is anyone is taking notice of such inconsistancies in South Florida.

I want to thank you and Mr. Evans for taking the time and trouble to show me around. I told Mr. Jordan that it would be agreeable to you to designate Mr. Evans as the grantee. And let me say again that I strongly hope Mr. Evans will organize some citizenship education classes or workshops to take full advantage of the opportunity to practice using the voting machines. As requested by Mr. Evans I am sending additional copies of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign."

I was impressed by the good work being done there in Palm Beach County. Having been there I will read the project reports with even greater interest in the future.

If you are ever in Atlanta I hope you will give us a call and let VEP take you to lunch. Best wishes and keep us informed.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 4, 1968

Mr. Roosevelt Russell
719 Collins Street
Tifton, Georgia

Dear Mr. Russell:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 22. Pursuant to your request, we are enclosing our guidelines, outlining requirements for eceipients of grants, and invite you to submit a proposal in compliance with these guidelines.

It is wonderful to know that you plan to establish a voter registration campaign in Tifton. The Project will be happy to do whatever we can to promote your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

March 4, 1968

Mr. James Cunningham
Professor
University of Pittsburgh
402 Bruce Hall
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

In compliance with your request, per your conversation with Mr. Jordan, I am enclosing six glossy prints for your use in connection with his appearance there on March 18.

If you find you have no further use of these photos, I would appreciate your returning them for our files.

If additional information is needed, please let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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Enclosures

March 4, 1968

Mr. James F. Daniels
427 Frederick Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Daniels:

This is to inform you that I will be in Daytona Beach on Friday morning to evaluate your proposed voter registration program for possible funding. I will be arriving in Daytona Beach via National, Flight No. 210 at 8:34 a. m. I hope I can meet with you and all concerned.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

cc: Mr. Horace Reed, Sr.
P. O. Box 5341
Daytona Beach, Fla.

March 4, 1968

Miss Ruby Roy
31-A Sacramento Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Ruby:

It was nice to have talked with you over the weekend. I must admit I would have been happier to have seen you though. There is always much more to be said in a face-to-face conversation.

As promised I'm sending youaa copy of the report on Orangeburg. Hope you find it informative.

If you ever get around to answering my letter, you might include Josephine Pradia's address in Clarksdale. I amy be going there soon and would like to talk with her, if possible.

Take care and study hard.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

March 4, 1968

Mrs. Sallie Hadnott
President
Autauga County Branch, NAACP
626 Easy Street
Prattville, Alabama

Dear Mrs. Hadnott:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your recent letter to Mr. Jordan. Pursuant to your request for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign, we will consider your proposal in early summer when more consecutive days to register are available. At the present time you can only register two days a month.

The Project will do whatever we can to support your program. If we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

March 4, 1968

Mrs. Winson Hudson
Route 3, Box 243
Carthage, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 14. It is indeed wonderful to know that you and members of the branch are still active in voter registration. However, pursuant to your request, for funds, the Project is unable at the present time tommake a grant to the Leake County Branch. If additional funds are made available to us, the Leake County Branch will be reconsidered.

We appreciate your writing and if we can be of further service let us know.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

March 4, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear John:

Thanks for the report of your field activities during the months of January and February. You appear to be putting some effort into the project (smile). It's a very good report and I hope you'll keep up the good work.

Sometime in the very near future, I'd like to send Bill Samuel, director-elect of the proposed Louisiana VEP, for consultation with you about running a statewide project. I think you would be able to give him an in-depth picture of such an endeavor. If you will inform me of some possible dates for such a visit, I can get in touch with Samuel about going to see you.

Take care.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 4, 1968

Mr. Bernard Lee
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
330 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Lee:

Over the weekend, Mr. Harold Bethune, II, of New Orleans, asked that I give you the enclosed business card for you to contact him.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

March 4, 1968

Mr. Richard B. Sobol
Lawyers Constitutional Defense Committee
606 Common Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Dick:

It was a pleasure to have met you while in New Orleans. I'm very sorry you were unable to participate in or attend the seminar for elected officials. Perhaps next time.

As promised I'm enclosing a copy of the Orangeburg report. Hope you find it informative reading.

Best wishes.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 4, 1968

Mr. William Lancaster
First Baptist Church
308 Clairmont Avenue
Decatur, Georgia

Dear Mr. Lancaster:

Mr. Don Daughtery requested that a copy of the enclosed be sent to you for your information.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

March 4, 1968

Dr. R. C. Briggs
Interdenomination Theological Center
671 Beckwith Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Briggs:

Mr. Don Daughtery requested that a copy of the enclosed be sent to you for your information.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

March 4, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 300 copies of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" to the attached address.

Ben Grinage
meeting
in Forrest City

Same letter

~~Copies~~ to:

B. F. Logan Press
Waxe Printing Company
The Fuller Press
The House of Murphy Printers
Morris Brown College - Commerical Printing
Gordon Sims Printing Company

March 4, 1968

Diamond Printing Company
451 Cain Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

We are shopping around to determine how much faster the enclosed monthly newsletter can be produced than is currently being done, with comparable quality and cost. VEP does all the writing of articles, headlines and captions. VEP also selects and crops pictures, with engravings to be made by the printer. VEP currently assists in layouts and rough paste-ups, and could handle all of this step if necessary.

After you have examined the enclosed newsletter (last two issues are enclosed), please let me know:

1. How many production days and how many calendar days would be required, after copy is submitted, to have this newsletter delivered and ready for mailing from the SRC office?

2. Would any changes in format (for example, use of a different ink color in each issue) be required if the newsletter is printed by your shop?

3. What would be the per issue cost for 2,500 copies? (All mailing is handled by SRC. Printer merely delivers newsletters to us ready for mailing.)

I would appreciate hearing from you in the near future if you are interested in handling the printing of this newsletter.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 4, 1968

Mrs. Barbara Glassman
Administrative Assistant
Institute of Politics
Box 119
Loyola University
New Orleans, Louisiana 70118

Dear Mrs. Glassman:

We are happy to place your name on our mailing list for the V. E. P. News. We are also enclosing copies of our latest issues. There is no charge for this service.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 4, 1968

Mr. Edward Rodgers
Suite 412-13
Pan-A Building
West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

Dear Mr. Rodgers:

I am sorry that pressing work here at home and my conscience would not allow me to spend a few more hours in West Palm Beach. However, I did enjoy visiting with you. I wish you and the Palm Beach Chapter the best of luck. Please come to see us when you are in Atlanta.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 5, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: VEP staff

FROM: Marvin Wall

Congressional Quarterly (returns from 308 of 309 precincts of the third District in Mississippi) states the total turnout was 114,625. Charles Evers led the field with 33,645 votes or 29.4% of the total turnout. The six white candidates received a combined total of 80,980 votes. The Evers registration estimate, which is slightly more current than ours, is probably correct. He estimates 70,000 to 75,000 Negroes registered and about 125,000 whites. This means that in order to go above the 81,000 white votes cast on February 27, Evers must achieve a maximum Negro turnout and get at least some white votes to go with this turnout. However, CQ points out that the turnout February 27 was only about 45% of the potential Negro vote and about 65% of the potential white vote. The white candidate, former aide to John Bell Williams, is urging supporters of the five defeated white candidates to unite behind him in the runoff. Evers meanwhile has made an appeal to low-income white votes. It is possible that the white vote could drop off in the runoff if we assume that some voters turned out because the local favorite was in the race (e.g., Watkins of Vicksburg and Piggott of McComb). But unless the white turnout drops off and the Negro turnout increases, the outlook for Evers is not bright.

March 5, 1968

Mr. Watson Sanders
Route 1, Box 227
Sondheimer, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Sanders:

On behalf of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, I would like to express my deep appreciation for your attending the Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials. We believe it was a successful meeting and your participation was in part responsible for making it so.

May I also take this opportunity to inform you of VEP's willingness to give yourwhatever assistance you may need in the area of voter education. We will stay in touch with you in the future with hopes for jointly doing things beneficial to the welfare of the Negro in Louisiana.

Enclosed please find a check for the expesnes you incurred to attend the meeting. If there is any error on our part, please do not hesitate to let us know.

And finally, I wish for you every success in the performance of your duties as an elected official.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

March 5, 1968

Mr. Arthur Thompson
201 Mill Street
Lake Providence, Louisiana 71254

Dear Mr. Thompson:

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

March 5, 1968

Mr. Ernest Metz
Star B, Box 230
Franklin, Louisiana 70538

Dear Mr. Metz:

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Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

March 5, 1968

Mrs. Mary Lee Goings
Weyanoke Post Office
Weyanoke, Louisiana 70787

Dear Mrs. Goings:

On behalf of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, I would like to express my deep appreciation for your attending the Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials. We believe it was a successful meeting and your participation was in part responsible for making it so.

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Mr. Louis Berry
1406 Ninth Street
Alexandria, Louisiana 71301

Dear Mr. Berry:

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

March 5, 1968

Mr. Joseph M. Davis, Jr.
Route 2, Box 43
Jeanerette, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Davis:

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Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Mr. Anderson Broussard
Star Route B, Box 227
Franklin, Louisiana 70538

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Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Mr. Leonard Tardy
Star Route B, Box 163
Franklin, Louisiana 70538

Dear Mr. Tardy:

On behalf of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, I would like to express my deep appreciation for your attending the Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials. We believe it was a successful meeting and your participation was in part responsible for making it so.

May I also take this opportunity to inform you of VEP's willingness to give you whatever assistance you may need in the area of voter education. We will stay in touch with you in the future with hopes for jointly doing things beneficial to the welfare of the Negro in Louisiana.

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And finally, I wish you every success in the performance of your duties as an elected official.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Mr. Morris Barnes
P. O. Box 82
Palmetto, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Barnes:

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Director
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Mr. Oliver Cooper, Sr.
Route 2, Box 120-B
Welcome, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Cooper:

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Director
Voter Education Project

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Mr. Felton Ceasar
Route 2, Box 114
Welcome, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Ceasar:

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Director
Voter Education Project

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Mr. Eric L. Armstrong
723 Riverside Drive
Lake Providence, Louisiana 371254

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

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Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Mr. Stanley G. Johnson
Star Route, Box 165
Franklin, Louisiana 70538

Dear Mr. Johnson:

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Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Mr. Zelma Wyche
505 West Green Street
Tallulah, Louisiana 71282

Dear Mr. Wyche:

On behalf of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, I would like to express my deep appreciation for your attending the Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials. We believe it was a successful meeting and your participation was in part responsible for making it so.

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And finally, I wish you every success in your work in Tallulah.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Mr. Peter Smith
Box 146
Sunset, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Smith:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

March 5, 1968

Dr. Albert W. Dent
President
Dillard University
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

Dear Dr. Dent:

Let me thank you again for taking the time to participate in our Institute for Negro Elected Officials in New Orleans. We feel that the program was an unqualified success, and your participation contributed immensely toward making it so.

Thanks much.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Dr. Martin L. Harvey
Dean of Students
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Harvey:

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Mrs. Helen Mervis
1422 Valence Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Mervis:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

MEMO TO: Kathy Martin

FROM : Weldon J. Rougeau

R$: Refund of Balance from Travel Advance

As per the auditor's request and stipulations governing travel advances and refunds of balances prior to receiving new advances, enclosed is a refund in the amount of $2.04 in cash, the balance of my last advance.

Enclosure
CC: RHAV

March 5, 1968

Mrs. Patricia Miller
1st Federal Savings & Loan Bldg.
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Mrs. Miller:

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Thanks much.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Same letter to: Messrs. Roque, Yancy, Borland, Mackie, Rev. Davis,
Eddie Davis, Harris, Monconduit, Balthazar, Delphin

March 5, 1968

Mr. Larry Balthazar
Constable
Route 1, Box 15½
Natchez, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Balthazar:

On behalf of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, I would like to express my deep appreciation for your attending the Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials. We believe it was a successful meeting and your participation was in part responsible for making it so.

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Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

Thanks for your letter of February 29 informing me of the deadline date for registration in North Carolina.

Unless I receive an explanation as to how funds will be disbursed after April 12, I will comply with your suggestion.

I have read with interest your recent field report. I appreciate your interest and thanks again.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

March 5, 1968

Miss Suzanna McBee — Life mag.
1120 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Miss McBee:

Enclosed are the two releases I promised to send you. Alabama is covered on pages four and five of the December 14, 1966 release. If I can be of further service please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 5, 1968

Mrs. Margaret Schmid
Department of Sociology
Loyola University
820 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Margaret:

Last week I received the enclosed correspondence from the Radical Education Project in Ann Arbor, Michigan. While I would very much like to attend the New University Conference at the University of Chicago, it is not possible for me to get there any time soon. Thus, I'm sending the information to you with hopes that you will be able to attend.

Naomi Weisstein in the Psychology Department at Loyola can probably expand on this conference for you if you're interested in getting more information on it. I do hope you can and will attend; it looks like a great thing.

Hope you've received the Orangeburg report by now.

Take care.

Pax,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

March 5, 1968

Mr. Lerone Bennett
Senior Editor
Ebony Magazine
1820 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60616

Dear Mr. Bennett:

I have just finished reading your response to Herbert Mitgang's sloppy critique of "Was Abe Lincoln a White Supremacist" and I commend you for the force and substance of your argument. Clearly Abe Lincoln was not what most whites would like to have us believe he was. But in order for white America to free itself from the paternalistic delusions of the Lincolnian myth, it will have to admit that Lincoln was indeed a white supremacist. Such an admission will cleanse the bowel region of the mind.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 5, 1968

Mr. Wesley Albert
Box 441
New Roads, Louisiana 70760

Dear Mr. Albert:

On behalf of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, I would like to express my deep appreciation for your attending the Institute for Louisiana Negro Elected Officials. We believe it was a successful meeting and your participation was in part responsible for making it so.

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Sincerely,

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Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Mr. Nathaniel Smith, Sr.
Route 5, Box 315
St. Francisville, Louisiana 70775

Dear Mr. Smith:

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Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Mr. Richard Turnley
1776 - 77th Avenue
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Mr. Turnley:

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Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Mrs. R. S. Isenstein
1030 Rudd Avenue
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Mrs. Isenstein:

The film arrived in good shape. We have not yet rented a camera to take a look at it but we probably will soon. Meanwhile if there are any further requests for use of this film in Alabama please let us know and we will see that it gets circulated. Many thanks to you for working with us on this film. Please give out regards to all the ladies of the Auburn League.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 5, 1968

The Reverend Ben Grinage
Director
Arkansas Voter Education Project
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Ben:

As requested we have sent 200 copies of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" to the address you supplied in Forrest City, Arkansas. Please ride herd on this shipment and let me know if it doesn't get there on time. Hope you have a good meeting.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 5, 1968

Mr. Nathan L. Burnett, Jr.
1976 Nostrand Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11210

Dear Mr. Burnett:

As requested in your letter of February 29, 1968 I am sending you a copy of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign." I am also enclosing a press release announcing the current Voter Education Project, a pamphlet describing the Southern Regional Council and a SRC publications list. If we can be of further service please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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P.S. I have discovered that our supply of publications lists is exhausted, but will send you one when we have a new supply.

March 5, 1968

Mr. Louis Berry
1406 Ninth Street
Alexandria, Louisiana 71301

Dear Mr. Berry:

I am enclosing a typewritten version of our resolution together with copies. After consulting with Weldon Rougeau I made one or two minor changes in the wording and switched the second paragraph to make it the final "whereas." The list of elected officials is all of those who attended the institute in New Orleans.

If the resolution meets with your approval as written I will write a press release to go out at about the time you present the resolution to the governor. We leave is up to you and the others in Louisiana to decide when and how to convey the resolution to the governor. You might want to consult with Bill Samuel on this score.

Please call me collect at 577-3796 (area code 404) and let me know your reaction to the resolution as typed up. We can, of course, make any changes you feel necessary and retype the resolution here.

It was a great pleasure meeting you and working with you in New Orleans. I hope we will have occasion to get together again soon.

Best regards,

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Director of Research
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WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the newly elected Negro officials in Louisiana that the registrars of voters in Orleans Parish, East Carroll Parish and other parishes have resorted to a subtle and sophisticated form of racial discrimination.

AND WHEREAS, This form of discrimination consists of arbitrary and capricious requirements of identification which are applied against Negro applicants.

AND WHEREAS, the requirement of identification is being applied without standards or uniformity.

AND WHEREAS, the requirement is being unevenly administered with regard to white and Negro applicants, simply and solely on the basis of race, in violation of the U. S. Constitution.

AND WHEREAS, the registrars are using this means to deprive Negroes of the right to register and vote, in violation of state and federal laws.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the newly elected Negro officials of Louisiana call upon and petition the governor of the state of Louisiana to use the powers and authorities and prerogatives of his office to immediately halt and eliminate these irregular, illegal and discriminatory practices.

Wesley Albert	Justice of the Peace New Roads, Louisiana
The Reverend Avery C. Alexander	Parish Democratic Executive Committee New Orleans, Louisiana
Larry Balthazar	Constable Natchez, Louisiana
Morris Barnes	Constable Palmetto, Louisiana
Louis Berry	Parish Democratic Executive Committee Alexandria, Louisiana
Ellerson Borland	Parish Democratic Executive Committee Laurel Hill, Louisiana
Anderson Broussard	Justice of the Peace Franklin, Louisiana
Felton Ceasar	Justice of the Peace Welcome, Louisiana
Oliver Cooper	Police Juror Welcome, Louisiana
Eddie Davis	Police Juror Weyanoke, Louisiana
Joseph M. Davis	Police Juror Jeanerette, Louisiana
The Reverend R. H. Davis	Parish Democratic Executive Committee Weyanoke, Louisiana
Joseph Delphin	Justice of the Peace Natchez, Louisiana

Mary Lee Goings	Parish Democratic Executive Committee Weyanoke, Louisiana
Charlie Harris, Jr.	Justice of the Peace New Roads, Louisiana
Ledell Mackie	Police Juror St. Francisville, Louisiana
Ernest Metz	Constable Franklin, Louisiana
Ernest Morial	State Representative New Orleans, Louisiana
Earl Roque	Parish Democratic Executive Committee Natchez, Louisiana
Watson Sanders	Police Juror Sondheimer, Louisiana
Nathaniel Smith, Sr.	Police Juror St. Francisville, Louisiana
Leonard Tardy	Constable Franklin, Louisiana
Arthur Thompson	Parish Democratic Executive Committee Lake Providence, Louisiana
Richard Turnley	Parish Democratic Executive Committee Baton Rouge, Louisiana
The Reverend O. L. Virgil	Police Juror Lake Providence, Louisiana

Anderson Yancy	Police Juror Franklin, Louisiana
Stanley G. Johnson	Justice of the Peace Franklin, Louisiana
Anatole Monconduit	Constable Welcome, Louisiana

March 5, 1968

The Reverend O. L. Virgil
Box 574
Lake Providence, Louisiana 71254

Dear Mr. Virgil:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 5, 1968

Miss Carrie Tyson
172 Treadwell
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115

Dear Carrie:

Thank you very much for the use of the attached statements. They were most helpful in preparing our report, a copy of which I am also enclosing.

It was good meeting you. I hope out of the needless waste and tragedy of what happened there that some good will come.

Best wishes.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encls.

March 5, 1968

Mr. James Y. Holloway
Box 936 College Station
Berea College
Berea, Kentucky 40403

Dear Mr. Holloway:

Mr. Watters has asked me to reply to your letter of March 2, concerning your order requests.

We are not ordering the Report to the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders in bulk, but you can order a single copy for $1.25 from Bantam Books, Inc., 271 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10016.

The six copies of the summer New South are being mailed under separate cover.

You will be hearing from Mr. Watters personally in a couple of days in regard to your invitation to cover the conference being held next month.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Secretary to Mr. Watters

jcs

March 5, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Executive Director
Tennessee Council on Human Relations
818-B Seventeenth Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Baxton:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,250.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid for 1968 to the Tennessee Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/rh

Enclosures (2)

March 5, 1968

Mr. Paul Matthias
Executive Director
South Carolina Council on
  Human Relations
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Paul:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,475.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid for 1968 to the South Carolina Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/rh

Enclosures (2)

March 5, 1968

Mrs. Patricia Miller
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human
  Relations
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Pat:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,500.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid for 1968 to the Louisiana Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/rh

Enclosures (2)

March 5, 1968

Mr. Paul Matthias
Executive Director
South Carolina Council on
  Human Relations
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Paul:

I have read with interest your quarterly report for October-December, 1967. It is refreshingly concise. Many thanks.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/rh

March 5, 1968

Mr. Marshall Frady
Villa A-91, Fairway Lane
Sea Pines Plantation
Hilton Head Island, South Carolina

Dear Marshall:

Thank you for your letter. Things sound very good indeed.

I am enclosing back copies of the magazine, and will send as soon as it is out the Winter issue -- which we are proud of. It is a book length piece by Paul Good on rural poverty in the South, with some extraordinary photographs by Al Clayton. The manuscript will be published in book form next fall by Putnam.

I am anxious to see the material that you think we might be able to use. There is one caution which might be useful in your selection of what to send. We are by constraint of our tax-exemption non-partisan. What we are interested in, then, in the Wallace thing is not the politics but insights into the social and political system that has produced him. If that distinction makes any sense.

Again, good luck with your book.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js
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cc: RV
Requested by: MGS and JB
To be approved by PA

Check No:____________
Mailed:______________

March 5, 1968

Bantam Books, Inc.
271 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Sirs:

Please send us two copies of the Report to the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders.

Our check for $2.50 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $2.50 check

March 5, 1968

Mr. Garland J. Millet
Editor
The Message Magazine
Box 59
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

Dear Mr. Millet:

This will confirm our telephone conversation of March 5 granting you permission to reproduce Dr. Clark's address.

Again, my compliments on the quality of your magazine.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

March 5, 1968

Mr. C. Tom Baker, Jr.
Tennessee Council of Churches
1108 - 17th Avenue. South
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Tom:

Enclosed is our check to cover your transportation costs.

Thanks again for coming.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj'
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $17.30)

March 5, 1968

Dear Brother Al:

We would like for you to up-date the Special Report, Cooperatives,Credit Unions and Poor People which you prepared for the Council in March of 1966.

I would think that we should consider, at the end of the report, the inclusion of a directory of the cooperatives that are members of the Federation of Southern Cooperatives. I hope you will have time to do this as the consultant to the Project.

This effort just might require coming down from the mountain, but I don't think that it will. If you could call me one day this week, collect, we could discuss this further.

Give my best to Robin.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Al Ulmer
P. O. Box 204
Vilas, N. C. 28692

March 5, 1968

Dr. A. M. Sharpe
Chairman
Department of Modern Languages
South Carolina State College
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115

Dear Dr. Sharpe:

Enclosed are the requested two copies of our special report on Orangeburg.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 2.

March 5, 1968

Mr. Alvin J. Bronstein
John Fitzgerald Kennedy School of
Government
Institute of Politics
Harvard University
78 Mount Auburn Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Al:

We did do a special report on Orangeburg; a copy of which is enclosed.

It's good to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mj
Enclosure - 1. (Special Report on Orangeburg)

March 5, 1968

Mrs. Audrey Wieman
Administrative Assistant
Southwest Center for Human Relations
Studies
Consultative Center for Tulsa
Riverview Elementary School
512 West 12th Street
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119

Dear Mrs. Wieman:

Enclosed is the receipt for my plane ticket. It was, as always, a real pleasure being with you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

March 5, 1968

Mr. Robert Scrivner
Rockefeller Brothers Fund
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Scrivner:

Vernon Jordan is to be in New York next Tuesday for a luncheon meeting. Since he is to be there, I have suggested that he call you Tuesday morning to determine if there is any need for him to come by for a brief visit.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

March 5, 1968

The Rev. Powers McLeod
The Methodist Church
2252 Allendale Road
Montgomery, Alabama 36111

Dear Powers:

It was thoughtful of you to write about the help the research staff was able to give you. I am sharing your letter with them and am sure they will be as appreciative as I am.

Sincerely yours,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

March 5, 1968

Mr. Will C. Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

This is in repsonse to your inquiry as to whether or not the North Carolina Council is a viable or non-viable organization.

Please understand this is not an official response from SRC as to the status of the North Carolina Council, since it is premature to make that determination, and the final determination will have to be made later in the year by the Executive Committee. However, I do think it is reasonable for you to seek some indication of our thinking and to begin planning accordingly.

I would hope our Executive Committee would establish several criteria for determining what is "viable." The most obvious of these would have to be both a Council's fund-raising performance and an assessment of its potential fund-raising performance. Also, I think some assessment would have to be included of staff ability and the participation and interest of the policy-making leadership.

At the moment, the most important consideration with the North Carolina Council seems to me to be financial. Namely, does the North Carolina Council have resources either from within the state and from its membership or elsewhere to continue operation in that regard. I note from your 1966 Audit that the income of the North Carolina Council was about $10,000 from sources other than SRC support. Quite obviously, this is not sufficient to maintain a minimum operation. On the other hand, this is a considerable improvement over past years with the North Carolina Council.

It would seem to me, therefore, if your fund-raising potential remains the same or is less this year, then the North Carolina Council obviously is not viable. On the other hand, should the North Carolina Council's income from any source continue to improve, it seems to me you are not that far from financial viability. I think, therefore, the real answer to your inquiry has to come within the next few months on the basis of whether or not this good performance in local support can continue and improve. Part of the answer, also, obviously would come from the results of the other fund-raising explorations the state council directors are now undertaking.

I have gone into some length in this letter to try again to say that whether or not the North Carolina Council is viable depends not on an arbitrary decision by us here, at this moment, but rather on the response of the North Carolina Council.

I think you are wise to begin at this relatively early date to consider the future. But, I think the emphasis of consideration now and most of the energy ought to be placed on one final and thorough exploration of what support can reasonably be found for the North Carolina Council.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

March 5, 1968

Mr. Bayard Rustin
A. Philip Randolph Institute
217 West 125th Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Rustin:

Mr. Anthony has asked that I send you the enclosed two copies of the resolution which the conference of February 23-25 adopted. If you should need additional copies they are available.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosures - 2.

March 6, 1968

Mr. John Golden
Penn Community Services, Inc.
St. Helena Island
Frogmore, South Carolina 29920

Dear John:

This is to acknowledge your letter and the attached outline on"Poverty, Poverty Programs and Politics" of February 29.

I regret to inform you that it will not be possible for me to serve as a resource person for your training unit on "Poverty and Politics." However, I would like to suggest that you invite Robert Mantz to do this. He worked for many years in Southwest Georgia with Charles Sherrod and later in Lowndes County, Alabama. Mr. Mantz is now working in Mississippi and can be contacted at this address: MACE
353 N. Harvey Street
Greenville, Mississippi -
Telephone: (601) 335-3523

I don't think that I have any thing to add to the outline. The unit appears to be well developed.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

March 6, 1968

Mr. Lucian Johnson, Team Leader
East Asheville Urban Development Project
31 Eagle Street
Asheville, North Carolina 28801

Dear Mr. Johnson:

This is to acknowledge your letter of February 21. In regard to your request I would like to suggest that you write to the following agencies for the desired information:

The Cooperative League of the USA
59 East Van Buren Street
Chicago, Illinois 60605

Farmers Cooperative Service
U. S. Department of Agriculture
Washington, D. C. 20250

Mr. Robert M. Dolan
Credit Union National Association
P. O. Box 431
Madison, Wisconsin 53701

Bureau of Federal Credit Unions
Department of Health, Education and Welfare
Washington, D. C. 202[illegible]5

Enclosed are some leaflets on better buying and credit.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

RF

March 6, 1968

Mr. John G. Vaughan
Housing Consultant
Institute of Urban Life
222 West Adams Street
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Dear Mr. Vaughn:

As per our conversation today this approves one or maximum of 2 days for updating and finalizing the GUIDE.

Sincerely,

Moreland Griffith Smith
FAIA
Director
Urban Planning Project

MGS/rh

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Check No:________
Mailed:__________

For Research Dept.

March 6, 1968

Superintendent of Documents
Government Printing Office
Washington, D. C. 20402

Dear Sirs:

Please send us the following:

Congressional Directory, 90th Congress, 2nd Session, January, 1968 Catalog No. Y 4.P 93/1:1/90-2, cloth . . .	$ 3.50
Handbook of Agricultural Charts, 1967 - Catalog No. A 1.76:348.	.25
Aspirations and Expectations of the Rural Poor, A Guide to Research, Catalog No. A 93.28:122	.25
Rural Industrialization in the Ozarks: Case Study of a New Shirt Plant at Gassville, Arkansas - Catalog No. A 93.28:123	.25
	$ 4.25

Our check is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs
Encl. - $4.25 check.

March 6, 1968

Group Relations Conference
Washington School of Psychiatry
1610 New Hampshire Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20009

Dear Sirs:

Dr. Rives Chalmers has shown me your announcement for the Group Relations Conference to be held in the summer of this year. He has suggested to me that attendance at one of them might be helpful in my work. I would like to have an application blank for the Mt. Holyoke conference, June 8-21.

I am at present the Director of the Urban Planning Project of the Southern Regional Council. This project is oriented toward research in city planning, assessing the present situation and looking toward the future. The Southern Regional Council is an organization which for over 25 years has been engaged in research in civil rights and in action to promote equal opportunity for all citizens.

The future of my project, I hope, will involve my organizing grass roots leadership among human relations and civil rights groups in the Model Cities in an effort to get them to exert pressure on planners and on government so that the minorities will have a voice in their future in the cities. We consider this an essential element in the solution of our urban problems.

Since my work will be largely a dialogue with diverse local groups, the skills I might acquire at a Group Relations Conference would be extremely beneficial.

Sincerely,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director
Urban Planning Project

MGS/rh

cc: Dr. Rives Chalmers

68-15

March 6, 1968

Mr. Herbert J. Bryant
Southport-Brunswick County Branch, NAACP
Route 1, Box 156
Bolivia, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Bryant:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Southport Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Brunswick County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $630.00 for a period of six weeks forrun from March 15 to April 26, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	$ 210.00
(3) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	270.00
Transportation		100.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
		$ 630.00

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These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards
W. C. Patton

68-17

March 6, 1968

Mr. Milton F. Fitch
Citizens League of Wilson County
517 South Lodge Street
Wilson, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Fitch:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Citizens League of Wilson County for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Wilson County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $850.00 for a period of five weeks to run from March 11 to April 20, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to five weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	$ 175.00
Secretary	@ $30.00 per week	150.00
(6) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	450.00
Office Supplies		75.00
		$ 850.00

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Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

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5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

March 6, 1968

68-12

Dr. S. B. Thomas
Burlington Branch, NAACP
627 Rauhut Street
Burlington, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Thomas:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Burlington Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Burlington and Alamance County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,400.00 for a period of four weeks to run from March 25 to April 20, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 160.00
(10) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		300.00
Office Rent		60.00
Secretary	@ $25.00 per week	100.00
Printing and Postage		100.00
Telephone		80.00
		$ 1,400.00

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards
W. C. Patton

68-13

March 6, 1968

The Reverend Thomas D. Walker
Hoke County Voter Education Project
208 Reaves Street
Raeford, North Carolina 28376

Dear Mr. Walker:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Hoke County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Hoke County, North Carolina. We are please to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,400.00 for a period of four weeks to run from March 25 to April 20, 1968

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 160.00
(10) Task Force Workers	@ $150.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		300.00
Office Rent		60.00
Printing and Postage		100.00
Secretary	@ $25.00 per week	100.00
Telephone		80.00
		$ 1,400.00

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards

68-18

March 6, 1968

Mr. Wallace C. Blackwell
Person County Voters League
Route 3, Box 487-A
Roxboro, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Person County Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Person County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $880.00 for a period of four weeks to run from March 23 to April 20, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 160.00
Secretary	@ $30.00 per week	120.00
(5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	300.00
Transportation		200.00
Printing and Postage		100.00
		$ 880.00

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards

68-16

March 6, 1968

Mr. Wilson W. Lee
Iredell County Voters League
1426 Church Street
Statesville, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Lee:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Iredell County Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Iredell County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,385.00 for a period of four weeks to run from March 11 to April 8, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Director's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	$ 140.00
(2) Area Captains	@ $25.00 per week	200.00
(12) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	720.00
Transportation		200.00
Telephone		25.00
Printing and Postage		100.00
		$ 1,385.00

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards

March 6, 1968

The Honorable Robert G. Clark
House of Representatives
District 19
Route 1, Box 185
Pickens, Mississippi 39146

My dear Mr. Clark:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered your request for two student legislative interns during the time that the Mississippi legislature is in session. We are pleased to inform you that VEP will support your request for the interns until the present session of the Mississippi legislature adjourns.

Specifically, we will be paying Miss Florida Henderson of Mary Holmes Junior College at the rate of $35.00 per week and Miss Cora Pitchford of Saints Jr. College at the rate of $45.00 per week. These ladies will go on the VEP intern payroll as of March 1. The checks will be mailed from this office directly to Misses Henderson and Pitchford on the 15th and the last day of the month. Necessary deductions will be made in this office.

It is required of each intern that they submit a written report when the internship is completed, setting forth its value to them and what they learned about the political process. Any questions that you or the interns may have regarding this procedure, please write or call Mr. Thad Olive, Administrative Assistant of the project, who has direct responsibility for all student interns.

We are pleased that we can offer this service to you and hope it will prove beneficial to you and the interns.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

P. S. Please have the ladies to fill out the enclosed "Employee's Withholding Exemption Certificate" and return to this office.

VEJ

cc: Mr. PAnthony
Mrs. RHAV

March 6, 1968

Mr. Everett Santos
U. S. Commission on Civil Rights
801 - 19th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20425

Dear Mr. Santos:

Enclosed is the promised list and a Xeroxed copy of an October 6, 1967 report from the Arkansas Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 6, 1968

Mr. William W. Harleaux
1818 Haase Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Mr. Harleaux:

The Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council is presently funding statewide Voter Education Projects in Arkansas, North Carolina and South Carolina. These projects have served as organizing and coordinating agencies for voter education programs in these states. It is out belief that they have been beneficial to Negro political life and we are of the opinion that Louisiana should be the next state for such an endeavor.

This letter then, is to urgently request that you be present for an important meeting in Vernon Jordan's room at the White House Inn, 1575 North Third Street, in Baton Rouge, on Thursday, March 14, 1968, at 4:00 p.m. Preliminary plans for the organization of a Louisiana VEP will be made there and a small group of persons from across the state is being invited for that purpose. I hope you will be able to attend.

VEP will reimburse you for your travel expenses and will assume the cost of hotel accommodations if you desire to spend the night in Baton Rouge. If you can come and do desire lodging, please inform me in order that reservations can be made for you.

Mr. Jordan and I hope to see you in Baton Rouge on March 14, at 4:00 p.m.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

March 6, 1968

Mr. Ernest Morial
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Dear Dutch:

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Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 6, 1968

Mr. Alphonse Jackson
1627 Winestock Street
Shreveport, Louisiana 71103

Dear Mr. Jackson:

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Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 6, 1968

Mr. Murphy Bell
P. O. Box 319
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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Voter Education Project

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March 6, 1968

Mr. F. Malcolm Cunningham
Chairman
Palm Beach County Voters League
600 Rosemary Avenue
West Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your "finanical report" for the period from February 6 to February 16, 1968. In order to comply with the provisions of our Reporting Requirements we will need supporting documents for the following items for which you are to be reimbursed:

(1)	Willie Simmons	$ 60.00
(2)	Photo News	76.50
(3)	C. H. Gainey	24.10
(4)	O. B. Johnson (Sign printing)	34.00
(5)	A. C. Evans (Traveling and Supplies)	31.49
		$ 226.09

May we have these at your earliest convenience. We will reimburse the account as soon as we have this information.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
cc: Weldon Rougeau, Marvin Wall

March 6, 1968

The Reverend Ben Grinage
Director
Arkansas Voter Education Project
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Ben:

Enclosed is a copy of our list of Negro elected officials in Arkansas. If there are any additions or corrections to be made, please let us know as soon as possible.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

Ltrs. to: Ed. Renwick; Jewel Prestage; Jack Greenberg; Nils Douglas
I. M. Augustine; A. P. Tureaud; Murphy Bell;
Reese Cleghorn; Samuel Adams; Henry Marsh;Horace Ward
Julian Bond

March 6, 1968

Dr. Vivian Henderson
President
Clark College
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Henderson:

Thanks to your participation the Institute for the ~~Negro~~ elected officials in New Orleans was an excellent meeting. We appreciate so much your helping us in this appect of the VEP program.

Enclosed is a small token of gratitude.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

March 6, 1968

Mr. Eric L. Armstrong
723 Riverside Drive
Lake Providence, Louisiana 71254

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

The Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council is presently funding statewide Voter Education Projects in Arkansas, North Carolina, and South Carolina. These projects have served as organizing and coordinating agencies for voter education programs in these states. It is our belief that they have been beneficial to Negro political life and we are of the opinion that Louisiana should be the next state for such an endeavor.

This letter then, is to urgently request that you be present for an important meeting in Vernon Jordan's room at the White House Inn, 1575 North Third Street, in Baton Rouge, on Thursday, March 14, 1968, at 4:00 p. m. Preliminary plans for the organization of a Louisiana VEP will be made there and a small group of persons from across the state is being invited for that purpose. I hope you will be able to attend.

VEP will reimburse you for your travel expenses and will assume the cost of hotel accommodations if you desire to spend the night in Baton Rouge. If you can come and do desire lodging, please inform me in order that reservations can be made for you.

Mr. Jordan and I hope to see you in Baton Rouge on March 14, at 4:00 p. m.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

bc: Mr. William Samuel

R.F

March 7, 1968

Mr. Allan R. Talbot
Urban America, Inc.
1717 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. Talbot:

Reference is made to your letter of March 1, 1968. I am enclosing some literature, one pamphlet just published, as well as some background information and an envelope of out-of-date items which still might be of interest with regard to Atlanta.

It is quite possible that you might like to contact the following:

Mr. Duane W. Beck, Director
Community Council of the Atlanta Area, Inc.
Glenn Building, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Mr. Leon S. Eplan
Eric Hill Associates, Inc.
City and Town Planners
Suite 100
75 Eighth Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309
(Preparing an Atlanta Transportation Study)

RF

March 7, 1968

Mr. Sid Davis
Regional Economist
Georgia Mountains Planning
  and Development Commission
Box 1294
Gainesville, Georgia 30501

Dear Mr. Davis:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 3, 1968. I agree with your points and I hope we can work out something along the lines you mentioned.

I rather think it will take several weeks for the people involved in the Atlanta area to come to their position. I shall certainly keep you posted as this evolves.

Looking forward to seeing you again, I am

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

MEMORANDUM March 7, 1968

To: Janet Smith

From: MMJohnson

Janet,

Would you please add the following person to our MEDIA mailing list:

Mr. Kyle Goddard
Tulsa Tribune
Tulsa, Oklahoma

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: VEP
Invoice Rec'd:_______
Check No:___________
Mailed:_____________

Sage Publications, Inc.
150-5th Avenue

March 7, 1968

Subscription Department
Urban Affairs Quarterly
New York, New York 10011

Dear Sirs:

Please enter a one-year subscription in the name of the Voter Education Project at the above address, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: VEP

Invoice rec'd:________
Check No:____________
Mailed:______________

March 7, 1968

The American Political Science
Review
1527 New Hampshire Avenue, NW
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

Please enter a one-year subscription to your periodical in the name of the Voter Education Project at the above address, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: VEP
Invoice Rec;d:_______
Check No:_______
Mailed: ---

March 7, 1968

Society for Applied Anthropology
Human Organization
Lafferty Hall-University of Kentucky
Lexington, Kentucky 40506

Dear Sirs:

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Thank you.

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(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

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Approved: PA
For: VEP'

Invoice Rec'd:______
Check No:___________
Mailed:_____________

640 Rampart St
N.O. 70112

March 7, 1968

Subscription Department
The Louisiana Weekly
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Sirs:

Please enter a one-year subscription in the name of the Voter Education Project at the above address, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept (SM)
Check No:________
Mailed:__________

March 7, 1968

The Louisiana State University Press
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Challenge to the Court, by I. A. Newby.

Our check for $6.50 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $6.50 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: VEP
Invoice Rec'd:________
Check No:______
Mailed:______________

March 7, 1968

Subscription Department
The Amsterdam News
2340 8th Avenue
New York, New York 10027

Dear Sirs:

Please enter a one-year subscription in the name of the Voter Education Project at the above address, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.
Check No:______
Mailed:________

March 7, 1968

Subscription Department
I. F. Stone's Weekly
5618 Nebraska Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20015

Dear Sirs:

Please continue our subscription to Stone's Weekly for two years.

Our check for $9.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $9.00 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

Check No:_______
Mailed:_________

March 7, 1968

Mr. Lansing Holden
Assistant Corporate Sales Manager
Time-Life Books
Time & Life Building
Rockefeller Center
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Holdan:

Please send us one copy of, "The Negro and the City," which sells for $1.50.

Our check is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs. Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs
Encl. - $1.50 check.

March 7, 1968

Mr. Herbert T. Jenkins
Chief of Police
Police Department
175 Decatur Street, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Chief Jenkins:

I was just reading what it says about you in Tom Wicker's introduction to the Bantam edition of the Riot Commission Report, and wanted to say -- not in any official capacity here but as a fellow Atlantan and old friend -- congratulations on the report and your contributions to it. I am sure history will prove how right and important the document is; I only hope it will also prove that the nation was able to heed it.

Anyhow -- I'm proud I know you.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: VEP

Invoice rec'd:________
Check No:______________
Mailed:_______________

March 7, 1968

Radical Education Project
510 East William Street
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48108

Dear Sirs:

Please send us two (2) copies of, Where It's At - A Research Guide for Community Organizing, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: VEP

Invoice rec'd:\__________
Check No:_______________
Mailed:_________________

March 7, 1968

Institute of Government
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of Primary and General Election Law and Procedure by Henry W. Lewis, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

March 7, 1968

Miss Judith Wellman
Educational Coordinator
Neighborhood Youth Corps
800 Concord Avenue
Charlottesville, Virginia 22901

Dear Miss Wellman:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some material on the disadvantaged child.

For information, I suggest you write the American Personnel and Guidance Association, 22 East Thirty-eighth Street, New York; The Library Foundation for Voluntary Organizations, Inc., 177 East Seventy-first Street, New York; The National Committee for Children and Youth, 1145 Nineteenth Street, Washington, D. C.

You may also write for the pamphlet, "National Conference on Education of the Disadvantaged," United States Government Printing Office, Division of Public Documents, Washington, D. C. 20402.

For information on the freedom schools, write SCLC, 330 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Thanks for writing, and if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR/js

March 7, 1968

Dr. Vivian Henderson
President
Clark College
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Dr. Henderson:

Donald Harris, a former associate of mine of whom we spoke when we were together in New Orleans, was in the city on Monday and Tuesday but did not have an opportunity to get in touch with you. He did express interest in the Center for the Study of Southern Public Policy. I am sure that he would appreciate any information or material that you could send him on the Center.

Mr. Harris'saddress is:

A Better Chance
Independent School Talent Search
376 Boylston Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

It was good to hear you in New Orleans.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

March 7, 1968

Mr. William M. Seabron
Assistant to the Secretary
Department of Agriculture
Office of the Secretary
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Seabron:

This is to acknowledge your letter and the attachments of March 5.

I regret to inform you that I will be unable to attend the meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee on March 14 and 15 in Tampa, Florida. However, I do appreciate the invitation.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis, Director
Community Organization
Project

JL/rh

cc: RV
Approved: PA

For: Res. Dept.

Invoice rec'd: ________
Check No: ________
Mailed: ________

March 7, 1968

Institute of Government
University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Dear Sirs:

Please send us your catalog of publications, and enter a subscription for us to your magazine, Popular Government, for one year.

Payment will be made promptly upon receipt of an invoice.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Research Dept.

Check No:_______
Mailed:_________

March 7, 1968

UNESCO Publications Center
317 East 34th Street
New York, New York 10016

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Methods of Long-Term Projection of Requirements for and Supply of Qualified Manpower, by Harold Goldstein and Sol Swerdloff, U. S. Department of Labor.

Our check for $1.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $1.00 check.

Southern , Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. A 30303
522-8

PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

MEMORANDUM March 7, 1968

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Director

This is a reminder that the next meeting of the Executive Committee will be on April 6, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel in Atlanta.

If we can make reservations for you or otherwise be of assistance, please let us know.

March 7, 1968

Mr. Jerry Sparer
Office of Economic Opportunity
for Health Affairs
1111 - 18th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Sparer:

Would you please add the attached list of state council directors to your list for early distribution of The Guidelines covering Section 222 (a) (6) of the 1967 Economic Opportunity Act.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enclosure - 1

March 7, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Les:

The proposal from the Foundation for Community Development does not strike me as a very good one and, given our experiences here with the VEP, the funds requested seem excessive.

Vernon tells me he will be in New York next Tuesday and will talk with you about this at that time. I think he feels even stronger than I do about this and, obviously, he is in a much better position to react.

I tried to reach you by telephone yesterday to discuss your letter relative to the state Councils. I will be at the University of Texas Law School for the remainder of the week, but would still like to talk to you about this.

In the meantime, perhaps it's sufficient to say that, reluctantly, I agree with your conclusion that the Field Foundation's reaction is a correct one. I only hope that this can be considered a matter for the current year only, and not necessarily an absolute policy for the indefinite future.

You might be interested in the enclosed memorandum which was sent yesterday to the state Council directors. This relationship wearies me more than it should, but it's a dreary and discouraging business. You might also be interested to know that in this "dreary business" Baxton seems to be playing a very constructive role.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 7, 1968

Mrs. Fred Patterson
2959 Andrews Drive, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Mrs. Patterson:

Here, finally, is a little information about the Lightning Foundation, and a report from the young woman who is interning with us from the Atlanta University School of Social Work.

If you need further information, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

March 7, 1968

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Top Knot
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wright:

Thank you for your comments about the Orangeburg Report, which I have shared with Pat and Weldon. I agree with you about its quality.

We are now talking with the education compliance people at HEW about a report somewhat along the lines you suggest. I will keep you informed of it.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 7, 1968

Mr. Kyle Goddard
Tulsa Tribune
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Kyle:

I remembered, but not as soon as I should have.

Enclosed find biographical materials and photograph.

You are being put on our mailing list for publications and releases.

It was good meeting you last Saturday.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 7, 1968

Mr. Will Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council on Human
Relations
233½ North Greene Street, Room #4
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

This is to respond to the request of the Association of Human Relations Council Directors for $5,000.

While I remain very much committed to finding financial assistance for the Association, a sum in the amount requested simply is not available. In fact, had such an amount been available it would already be committed to the state Councils.

I gather that the directors will be meeting shortly. Perhaps at that time you could develop a specific budget to fit your needs and plans, determine what amounts the state Councils could provide, and determine also what is left. The "what is left" part we will make every effort to provide or raise.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: all state directors

March 7, 1968

The Honorable Talbot D'Almerberte
Florida House of Representatives
1414 First National Bank Building
Miami, Florida 33131

Dear Representative D'Almerberte:

I, too, regret that you were unable to attend our meeting, but certainly understand.

Enclosed are several documents that we have produced from that meeting which might be of some interest to you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 2.

68-72

March 7, 1968

Mr. Samuel E. Dalton
Rockingham Branch, NAACP
618 Winstead Street
Reidsville, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Dalton:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Rockingham Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Rockingham County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of four weeks to run from March 23 to April 20, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. Since the director and secretary are to be paid from local funds, the amount granted is to cover the following:

(8) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	$ 480.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
Transportation		470.00
		$ 1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount sppnt. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, not in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards
W. C. Patton

68-20

March 7, 1968

Mr. Theaoseus T. Clayton
Warren County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 236
Warrenton, North Carolina 27589

Dear Mr. Clayton:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Warren County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Warren County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,200.00 for a period of four weeks to run from March 23 to April 20, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	$ 100.00
Secretary	@ $25.00 per week	100.00
(10) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		160.00
Supplies and Printing		240.00
		$ 1,200.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure
cc: John Edwards, W. C. Patton

68-19

March 7, 1968

Mr. John W. Edwards
Green County Voter Education Project
Route 3, Box 69
Snowhill, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Edwards:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Green County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Green County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $495.00 for a period of four weeks to run from March 23 to April 20, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 120.00
(5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	300.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
		$ 495.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will amil a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number or persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards

68-24

March 7, 1968

Mr. George Daniel Lewis
Mansfield Branch, NAACP
Route 2, Box 46
Mansfield, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Lewis:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Mansfield Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in DeSoto Parish, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from March 14 to May 9, 1968.

We are limiting the grant ti eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	$ 280.00
(4) Task Force Workers	@ $150.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		200.00
Printing		40.00
		$ 1,000.00

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

68-23

March 7, 1968

Dr. Charles H. Thomas, Jr.
Post Office Box 1778
South Carolina State College
Orangeburg, South Carolina

Dear Dr. Thomas:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request 66 the South Carolina VEP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Orangeburg County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $3,000.00 for a period of twelve weeks to run from March 2, to May 31, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to twelve weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Twenty (20) Students		$ 1,800.00
Student Director	@ $30.00 per week	360.00
Transportation		645.00
Supplies		100.00
Telephone		95.00
		$ 3,000.00

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

cc: James Felder

VEP
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March 7, 1968

The Reverend C. J. Whitaker
Director
The Richland County Voters League
6308 Benedict Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Dear Mr. Whitaker:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Richland County Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Richland County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from March 14, to May 9, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

a)	Director's expenses @ $ 50.00 per week	$ 400.00
b)	Secretary @ $40.00 per week	320.00
c)	(3) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)	360.00
d)	Transportation	250.00
e)	Printing and Postage	50.00
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Enclosure

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March 7, 1968

Mr. Heber Green
Pitt County Branch, NAACP
1608 West Third Street
Greenville, North Carolina 27834

Dear Mr. Green:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Pitt County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Pitt County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of four weeks to run from March 23 to April 20, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount grant is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 120.00
(8) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		375.00
Printing		25.00
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cc: John Edwards
W. C. Patton

March 8, 1968

Dr. S. B. Thomas
Burlington Branch, NAACP
627 Rauhut Street
Burlington, North Carolina 27215

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The Reverend Thomas D. Walker
Hoke County Voter Education Project
208 Reaves Street
Raeford, North Carolina 28376

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Mr. Herbert J. Bryant
Southport-Brunswick County Branch, NAACP
Route 1, Box 156
Bolivia, North Carolina 28422

Dear Mr. Bryant:

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March 8, 1968

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Iredell County Voters League
1426 Church Street
Statesville, North Carolina 28677

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Mr. Milton F. Fitch
Citizens League of Wilson County
517 South Lodge Street
Wilson, North Carolina 27893

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Person County Voters League
Route 3, Box 487-A
Roxboro, North Carolina 27573

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Mr. John W. Edwards
Green County Voter Education Project
Route 3, Box 69
Snow Hill, North Carolina 28580

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Mr. Theaoseus T. Clayton
Warren County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 236
Warrenton, North Carolina 27589

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Rockingham Branch, NAACP
618 Winstead Street
Reidsville, North Carolina 27320

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Dr. Charles H. Thomas, Jr.
Post Office Box 1778
South Carolina State College
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Olive

FROM: Marvin Wall

The Research Director displayed reports filed during 1967 by the three statewide VEPs. He pointed out that none of statewide VEPs had been filing regular and comprehensive reports of their activities. He pointed our that meetings were being held and that the statewide VEPs were carrying on other activities which were not being reported to the VEP staff.

The Research Director recommended that reports be filed in the future at the end of each month. He recommended the format earlier followed by Richard Miles in South Carolina. This format called for a day-by-day, diary type report in which the state director's activities would be accounted for in a single paragraph covering each date. In this way, it was pointed out, the VEP staff would have a record of the state director's day-to-day activities and would have some narrative explanation to support his travel expenses and other expenses.

The Research Director also urged the state directors to send to him promptly all newsclippings, photographs, radio tapes, pamphlets, booklets, manuals, newsletters, and other materials.relating to the activities of the state directors. In brief the Research Director sought to emphasize that closer liason and fuller reporting would be necessary in the future. The Research Director urged the state directors to keep in touch with each other and to put each other on their mailing lists so that each state director would receive materials being produced by other state directors.

8, 1968

Mr. Edward K. Gerner, Jr.
2125 Suburban Greens Drive
Timonium, Maryland 21093

Dear Mr. Gerner:

I am sorry to say that our files do not include detailed returns on recent senatorial elections in Florida. I believe you can obtain these returns by writing to the Honorable Tom Adams, Secretary of State, State of Florida, Tallahassee, Florida 32304. I am enclosing a Xeroxed copy of the latest county-by-county registration figures in Florida. Also enclosed is a table showing registration figures in Florida and results of the 1964 presidential election in Florida. County-by-county figures on voting age population in Florida can be obtained from a booklet published by the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights Information Center in March, 1965. The title of this booklet is "Registration and Voting Statistics." The address is U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, Washington, D. C. 20425.

I hope you find the information provided helpful. If I can be of further service please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 8, 1968

Mr. James Capra
Assistant to
  Senator Peter H. Dominick
United State Senate
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Capra:

I apologize for taking so long to answer your letter which arrived while I was out of town. I am enclosing registration information for recent years in the South. I would not be feasible or possible to list all of the organizations that have been working on voter registration in the South during the current decade. As pointed out in the enclosed newsletters the Voter Education Project has assisted close to 200 such campaigns in the last two years. In some cases these assisted agencies were local branches of national civil rights organizations. In other cases they were local community organizations. You will find a great deal of useful material on this score in an excellent book recently published about the Voter Education Project, "Climbing Jacob's Ladder." However, if you would like to use a particular city or county as an example, let me know and I can tell you what organization was working in that area.

I am also enclosing a small study which we did regarding effects of federal examiners and local campaigns on voter registration.

I hope you will find this material helpful. If I can be of further service to you please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 8, 1968

Mr. Arthur Weaver
1703 Butt Street
Nacogdoches, Texas 75961

Dear Mr. Weaver:

We have not responded to your request for 1,000 copies of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" because our supply of this booklet is running low. Under separate cover I am sending you two dozen copies.

I am enclosing a copy of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. Of course, this act does not apply to Texas. However, if you need a large number of copies you may obtain them by writing to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, Washington, D. C., 20425.

Our supply of publications lists also hasebeen exhausted. However we will send you a list when a new supply is printed.

I hope you will find this material helpful even if we cannot send you as many copies as you requested. If we can be of further service please let me know.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

March 8, 1968

Mr. W. C. Patton
NAACP and Voter Registration Office
1630 North Fourth Avenue
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Patton:

Enclosed are Xeroxed copies of the election results about which we discussed during your call from the Atlanta airport. I very much appreciate your assistance in supplying these figures. On your next trip through Atlanta please drop by the office.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

March 8, 1968

The Reverend Matthew Wilson
354A Aaron Avenue, Route 7
Orlando, Florida 32805

Dear Mr. Wilson:

Enclosed is our most recent complete table on voter registration in the South. If we can be of further service please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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March 8, 1968

Mr. Steve McNichols
Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Steve:

Figures which appeared in the Congressional Quarterly the day after you were here led me to draft the enclosed memorandum.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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March 8, 1968

Mr. Deryl Hunt
Southern Regional Office
National Urban League
136 Marietta Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Hunt:

I am enclosing our complete list of Negro elected officials in the South as of February, 1968. As I explained, we do not endeavor to keep a list of appointed Negro officials, since such a list would be extremely difficult to compile and maintain. I hope you find this list useful. If I can be of further service to you, please do not hesitate to call on me.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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March 8, 1968

Mr. George Daniel Lewis
Mansfield Branch, NAACP
Route 2, Box 46
Mansfield, Louisiana 71052

Dear Mr. Lewis:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should by by actual count and not by estimate.

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Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 8, 1968

Mr. T. Connor Spigelmire
336 Broadmoor Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21212

Dear Mr. Spigelmire:

Your letter of February 23, 1968 has been passed along to me for reply. I am sorry to say that our election statistics for Texas are not as detailed as would be necessary to meet your request. For precinct-by-precinct returns, you would have to write to the secretary of state of Texas. Even then, you might find that the returns do not go below the county level.

Likewise, we do not have registration figures by precinct for Texas. Also, Texas no longer registers voters by race. In past years we have made statewide estimates, which we believe to be reasonably accurate, and I am enclosing a table showing our latest estimate. I am also enclosing Xeroxed copies of both official and unofficial figures relating to registration by county in Texas. You will find figures on voting age population for Texas by county in a report of the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights Information Center called "Registration and Voting Statistics" which was issued March, 1965 in Washington, D. C. I am enclosing a booklet called "The Negro and the Ballot in the South" which also may be helpful. An excellent story on the current Texas registration situation appeared in the Los Angeles Times on December 31, 1967.

You may encounter some difficulty getting election statistics by precinct for Texas. You will encounter still greater difficulty getting registration figures by precinct. In any event I would be very interested in seeing the results of your study. With our necessarily limited resources we stand ready to help you in any way possible.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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cc: Paul Anthony

P. S. I urge you to take a look at a book on voter registration in the South by Pat Watters and Reese Cleghorn. The title of the book is "Climbing Jacob's Ladder."

March 8, 1968

Mr. W. C. Patton
NAACP and Voter Registration Office
1630 North Fourth Avenue
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Patton:

Pursuant to our recent telephone conversation enclosed are the names and addresses of persons submitting proposals from North Carolina

The Rev. Elbert Lee, Jr.
Rocky Mount Branch, NAACP
1121 Sandona Circle
Rocky Mount, North Carolina

Mr. Ralph H. Brown
President
Bladen County Branch, NAACP
Route 1, Box 196
Council, North Carolina

Mr. McCoy Brown
1112 Bradley Avenue
Tarboro, North Carolina

Mrs. Mary Pierce
President
Duplin Branch, NAACP
Box 158
Rose Hill, North Carolina 28458

Mr. B. J. Battle*
Greensboro Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 20641
Greensboro, North Carolina
*This one will not be funded this year.

Mrs. Mamie H. Thomas
President
Wilmington Branch, NAACP
1301 King Street
Wilmington, North Carolina

Mr. Lewis Woods, Jr.
President
Eastern Catawba County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 267
Catawba, North Carolina

If we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

March 8, 1968

Mr. J. B. Drake
P. O. Box 338
Bennettsville, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Drake:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letters of February 9 and February 17. Please excuse the delay in responding. After an audit of your account it was discovered that the deposit of December 27, 1967 was ~~fro~~ $138.60 instead of the $38.60 as shown on your copy of the letter of transmittal. This was an oversight.

Pursuant to your request the following deposits were made to your account:

November 13, 1967	Check No. 256	$ 375.00
November 17, 1967	Check No. 272	170.00
December 1, 1967	Check No. 304	121.01
December 12, 1967	Check No. 320	126.24
December 19, 1967	Check No. 357	95.00
December 20, 1967	Check No. 361	106.00
December 27, 1967	Check No. 363	138.60
January 1, 1968	Check No. 374	181.52
January 16, 1968	Check No. 379	60.00
January 16, 1968	Check No. 382	123.63
Total Amount Disbursed		$ 1,497.00
Total Amount Granted		1,500.00
Balance due Grantee		3.00

At the present time, we are unable to respond to your request for additional funds. However, we appreciate your interest and thanks for writing.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

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March 8, 1968

Mr. Horace Reid
President
Aolusia County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 5341
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Reid:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Aolusia County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Alousia County, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,800.00 for a period of four weeks to run from March 11 to April 8, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 160.00
(11) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	660.00
Supplies		50.00
Rent		75.00
Telephone		25.00
Printing and Postage		95.00
Transportation		500.00
College Student Program		235.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any , encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton
James Daniel

March 8, 1968

Mr. Horace Reid
President
Aolusia County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 5341
Daytona Beach, Florida 32020

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall LL
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 8, 1968

Mr. Vernon A. Eagle
Executive Director
The New World Foundation
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027

Dear Vernon:

Thought you might like to see the agenda for the Louisiana Institute for Negro Elected Officials, and a portion of the news coverage it received.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 8, 1968

Mr. Harold Fleming
President
Potomac Institute
1501 - 18th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Harold:

Thought you might like to see the agenda for the Louisiana Institute for Negro Elected Officials, and a portion of the news coverage it received.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan,
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 8, 1968

Miss Barbara Fienberg
Executive Associate
Carnegie Corporation
589 5th Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Miss Fienberg:

Thought you might like to see the agenda for the Louisiana Institute for Negro Elected Officials, and a portion of the news coverage it received.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 8, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation2
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York   10077

Dear Leslie:

Thought you might like to see the agenda for the Louisiana Institute for Negro Elected Officials, and a portion of the news coverage it received.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 8, 1968

Mr. Mitchell Sviridoff
Vice-President
The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mike:

Thought you might like to see the agenda for the Louisiana Institute for Negro Elected Officials, and a portion of the news coverage it received.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 8, 1968

Mrs. Jane Lee Eddy
Secretary
Taconic Foundation
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10019

Dear Jane Lee:

Thought you might like to see the agenda for the Louisiana Institute for Negro Elected Officials, and a portion of the news coverage it received.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 8, 1968

Mr. John Simon
President
Taconic Foundation
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10019

Dear John:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 8, 1968

Mr. William C. Archie
Executive Director
Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, Inc.
Reynolda
Winston Salem, North Carolina 27106

Dear Mr. Archie:

Thought you might like to see the agenda for the Louisiana Institute for Negro Elected Officials, and a portion of the news coverage it received.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 8, 1968

Mr. Robert Scrivner
Rockefeller Brothers Fund
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Scrivner:

Thought you might like to see the agenda for the Louisiana Institute for Negro Elected Officials, and a portion of the news coverage it received.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 8, 1968

Mr. D. John Heyman
President
The New York Foundation
4 West 58th Street
New York, New York   10019

Dear John:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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NEGRO OFFICIALS TO GET TRAINING

Two-Day Institute to Be Conducted by Southern Regional Council

Special to The Chattanooga Times

ATLANTA — The election of Negro public officials on a significant scale in areas of the Deep South has prompted the region's interracial leaders and organizations to offer training and background studies concerning the intricate skills needed for sound implementation of public service.

The Southern Regional Council, widely recognized as the foremost nonpartisan agency with a long history of interracial improvement projects, has drawn upon Negro and white leaders with experience and proven success in public office to transfer insights and wisdom and practical knowledge to the newly elected Negro officials.

In New Orleans

On Friday and Saturday, the Southern Regional Council's Voter Education Project (VEP) will conduct a two-day institute in New Orleans for Louisiana's 35 newly elected Negro officials. It will be similar to the institute held last December by VEP for newly elected Negro officials in Mississippi.

Essentially, the SRC program in this field underscores the organization's traditional theme that specialists in political affairs throughout the region can help build interracial strengths and "quality performance" of great value to the public-service needs of the entire region.

The program will begin with an introduction of the newly elected officials by Weldon Rougeau, VEP field director, and an opening address by Vernon Jordan, EP diredtor.

Speakers will include Dr. Edward F. Renwick, assistant professor of government at Louisiana State University at New Orleans, and Dr. Jewel Prestage, chairman of the department of political science at Southern University.

Jack Greenberg, director-counsel of the NAACP legal defense and educational fund, will speak at a luncheon Friday on "Law, Welfare and the Elected Official." Mrs. Patricia B. Miller, executive director of the Louisiana Council on Human Relations, will preside.

Workshops Scheduled

Workshops will be held with Ernest Morial, newly elected Louisiana legislator, presiding. Theme of the workshops will be "Duties and Responsibilities of the Elected Official." Sections on police jurors, justices of the peace and constables will be led by I. S. Augustine Jr., A. P. Tureaud and Murphy Bell, respectively. All three are Louisiana lawyers.

The dinner speaker Friday will be Julian Bond, member of the Georgia House of Representatives, whose subject will be "The Future of the Negro in American Politics." Dr. Albert Dent, president of Dillard University and a member of SRC's executive committee, will preside.

A workshop on the duties of parish executive committeemen will be conducted by Camille Gravel of Alexandria. It will be followed by a panel discussion on "The Elected Official and the Press." Panel members will be Reese Cleghorn of the Atlanta Journal, Sam Adams of the St. Petersburg Times, and Marvin Wall, VEP research director.

The luncheon speaker Saturday will be Dr. Vivian Henderson, president of Clark College in Atlanta, whose subject will be "The Role of Politics in Improving the Economic Status of the Negro." Presiding will be Mrs. Mary Sands, a Southern Regional Council board member.

"Serving the People — How and Why" will be discussed Saturday by a panel composed of Horace Ward, Georgia State senator; Henry Marsh, city councilman in Richmond, Va.; and Rep. Bond.

Thad Olive, VEP administrative assistant, will moderate a final question-and-answer session on "Services Available to the Elected Official." The panel will include Harvey Britton, NAACP field director; Ronnie M. Moore, director of leadership development at the Scholarship, Education and Defense Fund for Racial Equality; attorneys Nils Douglas, Lolis Elie, Robert Collins, and Jesse Stone; plus earlier speakers at the Institute.

A LOUISIANA BREAKTHROUGH

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History Brought Them Out of the Bayous

By REESE CLEGHORN

Atl Journ 3/6/68

New Orleans.

THEY CAME out of the grassy back bayous and from addresses like "Route 3, Vacherie, La.," to attend a seminar. Some had familiar Anglo-Saxon names, like Joe Davis, Charlie Harris and Tom Nelson. Others named Anatole Monconduit, Anderson Broussard and Rudolph Sorapuru bore the stamp of another part of Louisiana's history.

They were most of the 35 Negroes who have just been elected to public offices in this state, the first since white power closed the doors in the years after Reconstruction.

It was, of course, a historic gathering. Shortly, these who have been excluded will take their places in the cloudy workings of practical democracy, sitting on county governing bodies or as constables, justices of the peace or local Democratic committeemen. One will serve in the legislature.

Louisiana has places unique in the South, or in the world. It spawns the likes of Plaquemines Parish boss Leander Perez, whose Spanish name belies the fact that he could be some Georgia county's rich and politically powerful white supremacist. And it spawns people like Camille Gravel, a leading politician of French Catholic descent who stands on the liberal side of the same Democratic party that includes (sometimes) Mr. Perez.

Gravel was at this seminar for the new Negro office-holders, who represent a powerful new Louisiana political force: 301,000 registered Negro voters. Perez was not present. Because of these new votes, his openly racist politics is on the way out in Louisiana.

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JOE DAVIS, WHO will be a police juror (county commissioner) in St. Mary's Parish (county), was talking about the way things shape up in his place now that Negroes are voting. St. Mary's, as with many places in Louisiana, still has distinct ethnic groups, and this is reflected on the county commission.

"We may find it easier to get along with the Italian members than with the Caucasian members," Joe Davis said. "We have Italians in the parish, and a good many Indians. The Indians used to have a separate school system. Then they began to go to the white schools, and instead of a lot of different groups it was just Negroes and whites."

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FORCED SEGREGATION did not really separate people by race in St. Mary's. It just drew a line and stamped everybody on one side "white and superior" and everybody on the other side "Negro and inferior."

That is how artificial most of it has been, and it takes a St. Mary's Parish to point up the full absurdity.

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THE NEW OFFICE-HOLDERS came to hear talks on the duties of their particular offices, on Louisiana government past and present, on economics, on services that might help them in their new jobs, and on how Negroes generally may overcome the burden of the past.

"There's no reason to apologize for being a politician," Dr. Vivian Henderson of Atlanta, president of Clark College, told them. "You are sitting there . . . to bring about social change."

* * *

DON'T STAND ASIDE, he said; play the game of politics, but play it for your constituents, not yourself. Find out why Negroes are not hired for highway jobs, why your parish has no Manpower Training and Development programs, why it has no federal food program even though you know people are hungry.

And, he said, don't be too hesitant just because it is all new to you and you feel you don't know much. "In these parishes you came from, you haven't ever had anything BUT people who didn't know," he said. They knew that was true, if a little exaggerated; there were laughs and applause.

It was an exhortation to play politics to reshape public policy so that it would be fair to all, to take advantage of the ordinary usefulness of everyday politics to solve old problems.

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ONE WONDERED, LOOKING out over the faces (ranging in color from blue-black to off-white) how many really would take effective hold of the mighty problems facing the people they represent; how many would turn sour in the face of continuing white resistance and national inaction; how many would take advantage of their positions and forget about the people who elected them, rationalizing to their own satisfaction; how many would go on to higher offices and make a mark.

Only half a million Negroes were registered to vote in the South—most of them outside the Deep South tier that includes Georgia—at the end of World War II. Now three million are registered, 60 per cent of the voting-age Negro population.

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THERE ARE 250 elected Negro officials in this region, including 23 legislators in six states.

All this represents a faith that normal democratic processes can remove the yoke that has kept Negroes down. There are many skeptics about that, and they could turn out to be right.

But at the seminar for the new Louisiana office-holders, cautious optimism was the mood.

INSTITUTE FOR LOUISIANA NEGRO ELECTED OFFICIALS

ROOSEVELT HOTEL
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

MARCH 1 - 2, 1968

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INSTITUTE FOR LOUISIANA NEGRO ELECTED OFFICIALS
ROOSEVELT HOTEL, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

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FRIDAY - MARCH 1

8:30 - 9:30 a. m. REGISTRATION AND ROOM ASSIGNMENT

FIRST SESSION

9:30 - 10:00 a. m. BLUE ROOM

Weldon Rougeau, Presiding
Field Director, Voter Education Project

Introduction of Elected Officials
Mr. Rougeau

"WHY WE ARE HERE"
Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director, Voter Education Project

10:00 - 12:00 Noon

SECOND SESSION

"LOUISIANA GOVERNMENT -- PAST AND PRESENT"

Dr. Edward F. Renwick
Assistant Professor of Government and
Director of the Symposium on Southern Politics
Louisiana State University

RESOURCE PERSON -- Dr. Jewel Prestage
Chairman, Department of Political Science
Southern University
Baton Rouge

FRIDAY - March 1 (Continued)

12:30 p. m. **LUNCH**

Mrs. Patricia B. Miller, Presiding
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
Baton Rouge

ADDRESS -- JACK GREENBERG
Director - Counsel
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Legal Defense & Educational Fund, Inc.
New York City

"LAW, WELFARE AND THE ELECTED OFFICIALS"

THIRD SESSION

2:00 - 5:00 p. m. BLUE ROOM

Ernest Morial, Presiding
Representative Elect, Louisiana House of Representatives

-- WORKSHOPS --

"Duties and Responsibilities of the Elected Official"

-- Police Jurors -- I. S. Augustine and Nils Douglas, Attorneys, New Orleans

-- Justice of the Peace and City Marshal --
A. P. Tureaud,
Louisiana NAACP Legal Counsel

-- Constables -- Murphy Bell, Attorney
Baton Rouge

7:00 - 8:00 p. m. **RECEPTION**

FRIDAY - MARCH 1 (Continued)

8:00 p. m. DINNER UNIVERSITY ROOM

Dr. Albert Dent, Presiding
President
Dillard University
New Orleans

ADDRESS -- JULIAN BOND
Georgia House of Representatives
Atlanta,

"THE FUTURE OF THE NEGRO IN AMERICAN POLITICS"

SATURDAY - MARCH 2

8:00 - 8:45 a. m. BREAKFAST BLUE ROOM

FOURTH SESSION

9:00 - 10:00 a. m.

Weldon Rougeau, Presiding

"Duties and Responsibilities of the Elected Official," Continued.

-- Parish Executive Committeemen --

Camille Gravel, Attorney
Alexandria

10:30 - 12:00 NOON PANEL DISCUSSION

"THE ELECTED OFFICIAL AND THE PRESS"

-- Marvin Wall, Research Director, VEP

-- Reese Cleghorn, Atlanta *Journal*
Co-Author, *Climbing Jacob's Ladder*

-- Samuel Adams, St. Petersburg *Times*
Former Research Director, SRC.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2 (Continued)

12:30 p. m. LUNCH

Mrs. Helen Mervis, Presiding
Board Member, Southern Regional Council

ADDRESS -- DR. VIVIAN HENDERSON
President, Clark College
Atlanta

"THE ROLE OF POLITICS IN IMPROVING THE ECONOMIC STATUS OF THE NEGRO"

2:00 - 4:00 p. m.

"SERVING THE PEOPLE -- HOW AND WHY"

-- Henry Marsh, City Council, Richmond, Va.

-- Julian Bond, Member, Georgia House of Representatives

-- Horace Ward, Senator, Georgia General Assembly

FINAL SESSION

William Samuel, Presiding
Director, Elect -- Louisiana VEP

"SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THE ELECTED OFFICIAL"

QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

-- Ronnie Moore, Scholarship, Education and Defense Fund for Racial Equality (SEDFRE)

-- Harvey Britton, Louisiana Field Director, NAACP

-- Vivian Henderson, Clark College Center for the Study of Southern Public Policy

-- John Lewis, Director of Community Organization, Southern Regional Council

-- James Chubbeck, Director, Institute of Politics Loyola University -- New Orleans

-- Clarence L. Barney, Director, Urban League of Greater New Orleans

-- John Mortzell, Director, Human Relations Commission Baton Rouge

5:00 P. M. ADJOURNMENT

March 8, 1968

The Rev. J. F. Cooley
P. O. Box 801
Forrest City, Arkansas 72335

Dear Mr. Cooley:

Thank you so much for letting us read your manuscript, Success in a Southern City. I regret to say that it does not seem ready for publication in its present shape. It seems to me that while you certainly have a story to tell, what you have produced is really more a narrative outline than a story.

I have made a few marginal notes by way of suggested revision.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor

REA,Jr/js
Encl. - 1.

March 8, 1968

Frederick A. Praeger Publishers
111 Fourth Avenue
New York, New York 10003

Dear Sirs:

We placed a $10.00 prepaid order on June 1, 1967, for Integration of the Negro in the U. S. Armed Forces, and on June 22, you informed us that the book was not yet available. After checking with you again on October 9, we were informed that the book was tentatively scheduled for publication sometime during the beginning of 1968, and that as soon as it was ready, shipment of all outstanding orders would be effected.

To date, we have not received the book. Is it now available?

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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March 8, 1968

Mr. Stephen J. Whitfiel d
3658 Gentilly Blvd., Apt. D
New Orleans, La. 70122

Dear Mr. Whitfield:

Enclosed are two sheets of xeroxed copies of newsclips about Judge J. Waties Waring, which are good biographical sketches of this great man. I should think that if you write to some of the organizations which are mentioned in the Columbia State newsclip, you might get some additional leads.

The address of The National Committee Against Discrimination in Housing, of which he was a Director, is 323 Lexington Avenue, New York, 10016.

Yours very truly,

Bernice S. Morrison (Mrs.H.H.)
Librarian

Enc.-2

March 8, 1968

Miss Beverly A. Schlack
Harmon Hall
Southern State College
Springfield, South Dakota

Dear Miss Schlack:

Under separate cover, I am sending you our most recent publication, The Events at Orangeburg, and our publications list.

As you know, civil rights covers a broad area. If you would write back and tell me what topic you are writing on, I will be happy to supply you with the information we have.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

March 8, 1968

Mr. William E. Cherry
Eliot F-23
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Cherry:

SRC is not a birth control organization. May I suggest you write to the Planned Parenthood Association in your city, or write the National Planned Parenthood Association, Glenn Building, 118 Marietta Street, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Thanks for writing us, and if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

DR:js

March 11, 1968

Mr. J. R. Rutter
3512 Plumwood Road
Knoxville, Tennessee 37912

Dear Mr. Rutter:

This is to inform that I will be unable to be with you and the Knoxville Council on April 4.

In keeping with your request under seperate cover you will receive a copy of the "Events at Orangeburg."

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

March 11, 1968

Mr. Paul McGiffin
High School Program Director
American Friends Service Committee
2160 Lake Street
San Francisco, California 94121

Dear Mr. McGriffin:

This is to inform you that I will arrive in San Francisco on April 9 at 10:23 A.M. via Delta flight #823 and will be returning to Atlanta on April 11 at 11:25 A.M. via Delta flight #814.

I hope that plans are going well for the conference.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

March 11, 1968

Mr. August VandenBosche
Executive Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

Dear Augie:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,000.00, the quarterly payment on our Rural Advancement Project grant to the Florida Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enclosures - 2

March 11, 1968

Mr. Lawrence R. Klein
Editor-in-Chief
Monthly Labor Review
U. S. Department of Labor
Bureau of Labor Statistics
Washington, D. C. 20212

Dear Mr. Klein!

On September 15, 1967, I wrote to you requesting a copy of Review which was to deal specifically with the South, and your reply of September 19 indicated the special publication would be in print sometime after the beginning of the year -- either in February or March.

May this serve as a reminder that we are still interested in this issue? We are subscribers, but our Information Director, Mr. Pat Watters, wants this one for his use.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

March 11, 1968

Dr. William C. Archie
Executive Director
Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, Inc.
Reynolda
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Archie:

Thank you for your good letter of March 5. I do not think you are overly concerned. This is a time of madness and, therefore, a very difficult time for all of us.

I would very much welcome an opportunity to talk with you about matters, generally, and hope this can be arranged in the not-too-distant future.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 11, 1968

Dr. Stephen J. Wright
President
United Negro College Fund, Inc.
55 East 52nd Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Stev:

Thank you for agreeing to see Nat Welch.

One of these days it would be a great pleasure to visit with you and to talk.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 11, 1968

Mr. Calvin Kytle
David Apter & Associates
1145 - 19th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Calvin:

It was very thoughtful of you to comment on the annual report. For that matter, it was very kind of you to read it.

For several reasons I very much appreciate your comments about it.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 11, 1968

Mr. James E. Youngdahl
711 West Third Street
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Jim:

Events in Arkansas move faster than our correspondence.

We have already committed our report on prisons to the printer. Otherwise, I would have been grateful for the opportunity to have John Haley's reactions.

We did, however, prepare the report with considerable sensitivity to the information you and Bill gave us.

Enclosed is a draft of the report. The final version is slightly different, but this is the essence of it.

Thanks again for your help.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

March 11, 1968

Mr. David R. Hunter
Executive Director
Stern Family Fund
21 East 40th Street
New York, New York 10016

Dear Dave:

Thanks for the copy of your letter to Bill Taylor.

I think you are most correct in suggesting that the Commission on Civil Rights must not be limited to "racial concerns." Even the Poverty Program has been considerably damaged, I think, because of this. Currently, we are having some involvement in the Southwest with Mexican-American and Indian affairs, and I am beginning to get some new perspectives in these matters.

I hope one of these days we can find an opportunity here or in New York for a visit.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 11, 1968

Mr. Leslie Burl McLemore
200 South East Street
Apartment 104
Amherst, Massachusetts 01002

Dear Mr. McLemore:

Your request is being shared with Mr. Vernon Jordan, the director of our Voter Education Project. In a short time we will give the request every consideration, and you will hear from us further. In the meantime, could you give us more specific information on the amount of financial assistance necessary for you to complete the thesis?

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 11, 1968

Mr. George Meany
President
AFL - CIO
815 Sixteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Meany:

This will acknowledge with our most sincere appreciation the contribution of $5,000 from the AFL-CIO.

Quite apart from your financial assistance our association and cooperation with the AFL-CIO, and particularly with Don Slaiman and Al Kehrer of your staff, is very rewarding.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

via air mail   March 11, 1968

Mrs. James M. Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Dabbs!

Mr. Wright has asked me to send you the enclosed glossy.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosure - 1.

March 11, 1968

Mr. Milton F. Fitch
516 S. Lodge Street
Wilson, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Fitch:

Enclosed is our check for your expenses while attending our recent meeting.

It was a pleasure having you with us.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

March 11, 1968

Mr. John A. Gavin, Commissioner
Department of Corrections
State Office Building Government Center
100 Cambridge Street
Boston Massachusetts 02202

Dear Mr. Gavin:

You may recall our recent conversation at the Atlanta ACA meeting with reference to the possibility of promoting an Interstate Compact on Corrections in the South. You were kind enough to offer to provide us with some information about the workings of the New England Compact.

Any information you can send us concerning the structure, workings, advantages and pitfalls of such a multi-system arrangement would be most helpful.

Since we hope our efforts will culminate in the passing of a resolution by the Southern Governors Conference, to be held in June, your prompt response will be most appreciated.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

John O. Boone, Director
Project on Crime & Corrections

JOB/vmb

VEP 68-30

March 11, 1968

The Reverend Thomas C. Monroe
South Dade Community Action Organization
14821 S. W. 104 Court
Miami, Florida 33158

Dear Mr. Monroe:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the South Dade County Community Action Organization for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in the Perrine - Homestead Area. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,200.00 for a period of three weeks to run from March 18 to April 6, 1968.

Weaare limiting the grant to three weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 150.00
Ten (10) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	450.00
Transportation		450.00
Printing and Postage		100.00
Supplies		50.00
		$ 1,200.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the project. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will become available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

VEP 68-29

March 11, 1968

Mrs. James Parris
National Council of Negro Women
11225 Washington Boulevard
Miami, Florida 33158

Dear Mrs. Parris:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the National Council of Negro Women for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in the Richmond Heights and Howard Drive areas. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $800.00 for a period of three weeks to run from March 18 to April 6, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to three weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 150.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	225.00
Transportation		375.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
		$ 800.00

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

VEP 68-57

March 11, 1968

Mr. William H. Miles
Greater Miami Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida 33146

Dear Mr. Miles:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Greater Miami Council on Human Relations for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in the Coconut Grove - Coral Gables area. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of three weeks to run from March 18 to April 6, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to three weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 150.00
(10) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	450.00
Transportation		300.00
Office Rent and Supplies		50.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
		1,000.00

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

March 11, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear John:

In response to your letter of March 7, you may count on me to attend the Board meeting of the North Carolina VEP on Tuesday, March 26. I will arrive in Durham early that morning and, unless you insist, would like to return to Atlanta that same evening.

On the other hand, if you think I must speak some where in the state, I will be glad to do so the evening of the 26th. But I must return to Atlanta early on the morning of the 27th.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

March 11, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: KM

FROM: Weldon Rougeau

Enclosed is a check in the amount of $3.00 in payment for copies of the Orangeburg Report.

March 11, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: BCC

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

Please send 10 copies of the Orangeburg Report to Miss Hogrobrooks, label attached.

Thanks

VEP-68-28

March 11, 1968

Mr. Samuel J. Moncur
Program Director
Liberty City Community Council
Voter Registration Project
1260 Northwest 62nd Street
Miami, Florida 33147

Dear Mr. Moncur:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Liberty City Community Council for a grant to conduct voter registration in Dade County, Florida. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of three weeks, beginning March 18 through April 6, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to three weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's Expenses @ $50.00 per week	$ 150.00
b)	(10) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)	450.00
c)	Transportation	350.00
d)	Printing & Postage	50.00
Total		$1,000.00

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

March 11, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Thad Olive

Please send 500 copies of "Know Your Rights" to Ernest N. Morial. Label is attached.

March 11, 1968

Dr. Edward F. Renwick
Director of the Symposium
on Southern Politics
Louisiana State University in New Orleans
Lake Front
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

Dear Ed:

Pursuant to your letter of March 8, I was both pleased and complimented.

It will be a pleasure to sit at the head table at the banquet Friday, and I am looking forward to a most successful seminar.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

Marchlll, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
1812 Third Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Telegrams of the organizational letter of invitation to the Baton Rouge meeting have been sent to Messrs. Douglas and Thompson. I hope you follow-up and urge them to attend.

Vernon and I will see you on Thursday.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

WJR:nm

March 12, 1968

Mr. Sam Adams
Stl Petersburg Times
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Sam:

I have been waiting anxiously to receive Dr. Martin Harvey's prayer, but so far my prayers have not been answered. Please convey it to me by whatever earthly or heavenly means you may have at your disposal. Many thanks for being with us in New Orleans. You gave our panel a much-needed lift.

Selah and amen.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 12, 1968

Mrs. Louise Jenkins
Fayetteville Area Poor People's Organization
800 Brewer Street
Fayetteville, North Carolina 28301

Dear Mrs. Jenkins:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will indluce anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 12, 1968

The Reverend Thomas C. Monroe
South Dade Community Action Organization
14821 S. W. 104 Court
Miami, Florida 33158

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Miami, Florida 33158

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Voter EducationPProject

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Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

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March 12, 1968

Mrs. Louise Jenkins
Fayetteville Area Poor People's Organization
870 Brewer Street
Fayetteville, North Carolina 28301

Dear Mrs. Jenkins:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Fayetteville Area Poor People's Organization for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Fayetteville, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $478.00 for a period of four weeks to run from March 11 to April 13, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	$ 300.00
Office Expenses		50.00
Transportation		128.00
		$ 478.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any,kencountered with locla registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legisltation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any question, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards

March 12, 1968

Mrs. Barbara A. Shapiro
2310 Overbrook Drive
Jackson, Mississippi 39213

Dear Mrs. Shapiro:

Enclosed is our check for the services you rendered Mrs. Geneva Collins, as per our agreement. Oru auditor requires that we have the social security number for all consultants, so may we have yours at your earliest convenience.

We sincerely appreciate your interest and thanks much.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

March 12, 1968

Mr. Robert Ingram
President
Hancock County Democratic Club
718 New Street
Sparta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Ingram:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly reports for the weeks ending February 24, 1968 and March 2, 1968. We are withholding the reimbursement of funds expended for transportation pending proper vouchers as per expenditure. May we have these at your earliest convenience so as not to impede the progress of your program.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter fo transmittal indicating amount deposited in your account, b) copy of deposit slip, and c) weekly report forms for your weekly reporting.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

March 12, 1968

Mr. Ernest N. Morial
Attorney and Counsellor at Law
103 Carver Building
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Dear Dutch:

Thanks for your letter of March 8. We are indeed delighted to hear that consideration is being given to a follow-up conference for elected officials.

Under separate cover we are sending you 500 copies of "Know Your Rights" for your district meeting.

If we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

March 12, 1968

Mr. Jesse G. Doster
President
Chatham County Crusade for Voters, Inc.
1210 West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Doster:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 5, to Mr. Jordan. Pursuant to your request for funds to conduct a voter registration drive, we are unable to make a grant at this time to the Chatham County Crusade for Voters, Inc.

We appreciate your interest and thanks for writing.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

March 12, 1968

Mr. Julius L. Chambers
Attorney at Law
405½ East Trade Street
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Chambers:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 7. Pursuant to your reminder of voter registration interest in Anson County, it will be necessary for us to have a proposal from a non-partisan organization in the county.

Enclosed are copies of our guidelines. We invite a non-partisan organization to submit to us a proposal.

The Project will do whatever it can to support such a proposal.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

March 12, 1968

Miss Susan M. Hawkins
1133 Lehman Street
Lebanon, Pennsylvania

Dear Miss Hawkins:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 8, addressed to Mr. Jordan. It is indeed wonderful to learn of your interest in voter registration. Our plans for the summer are not definite. However, at your earliest convenience, would you submit to us a resume.

The Project will then be better able to evaluate your qualifications. We appreciate youriinterest and thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

March 12, 1968

Mr. Michael Molloy
11 York Court # 1
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Mr. Molloy:

I am sorry to say that we do not maintain registration figures below the county level, and therefore we do not have registration by precinct in Birmingham, Alabama. However, there is a possiblity (and I am not too optimistic about this) that you may obtain these figures by writing to the probate judge of Jefferson County, Alabama in Birmingham.

According to the 1960 census the Negro voting age population in Jefferson County is 116,1660 There were 25,944 Negroes and 153,518 whites registered in Jefferson County prior to the Voting Rights Act. Our latest figures for Jefferson County show a Negro registration of 64,000 and a white registration of 181,000.

Other possible sources of information about voting in Birmingham are Mr. Emory Jackson, Editor of the Birmingham Daily World; Arthur Shores and Orzell Billingsley, both attorneys; and Mr. W. C. Patton of the NAACP voter registration office.

I am enclosing two VEP election studies which touch on Birmingham. If I can be of further service to you please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 12, 1968

Mr. L. R. Sears
2966 Anderson Avenue
Fort Myers, Florida

Dear Mr. Sears:

Thank you for the time you took from your sick bed to discuss the voter registration drive now on in Lee County. Mrs. Walker was most helpful in providing information about the project. If your registration drive is as impressive as Mrs. Walker's record-keeping, the Lee County project will undoubtedly be one of the best we've ever had.

Hope you're feeling better.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 12, 1968

Mrs. Elenora Adams
NAACP Youth Council
Voter Registration Campaign
624 - 22nd Street, South
St. Petersburg, Florida 33712

Dear Elenora:

It was good meeting you and the members of the Youth Council last week. I hope everything is now organized and you're registering 500 persons daily (smile). Seriously the best of luck in your drive.

How's Sam doing. Give him my best.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 12, 1968

Mr. James F. Daniels
422 Frederick Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Jim:

Thanks for the time you, Mr. Reed, and members of your committee spent with me last Friday. I enjoyed meeting them and I hope you will have a very productive drive during the next three weeks.

Take care.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 12, 1968

Mr. Horace Reed, Sr.
222 College Park Drive
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Reed:

Thanks for the warm hospitality you and members of your organization accorded me while I was in Daytona Beach. I enjoyed meeting all of you and hope for you every success in the registration campaign now under way.

Please convey my warmest best wishes to Mrs. Reed.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 12, 1968

Miss Hannah Campbell
Reader's Digest Services, Inc.
Educational Division
200 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Miss Campbell:

Over the past several months we have been attempting to go back into previous decades to put together white and Negro figures for the Southern states. Strange as it may seem, there are some instances in which we have Negro registration figures but do not have white registration figures. I am sending you a Xeroxed copy of the table as we have it at present. We intend to keep searching old records for more complete figures. In the meantime I hope the enclosed will be helpful to you.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 12, 1968

Mr. Louis Berry
Attorney at Law
1406 - 9th Street
Alexandria, Louisiana 71301

Dear Mr. Berry:

Sorry I wasn't at home when you called. Thank you very much for the copy of your excellent letter to Governor McKeithen. I'm glad the resolution suited you as typed us here. Please let me know what reactin you get from the governor.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

cc: Bill Samuel

March 12, 1968

Mr. Dominick A. Lucenti
59 Arch Street
New Britain, Connecticutt 06051

Dear Mr. Lucenti:

I am sorry to say that our supply of "Voter Registration in the South" has been exhausted. However I am enclosing a mimeographed copy of our most recent registration table, which I hope will be helpful to you. If I can be of further service please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 12, 1968

Miss Shirley M. Walker
Secretary
NAACP Voter Registration
2966 Anderson Avenue
Ft. Myers, Florida 33901

Dear Miss Walker:

Many thanks for your excellent report. As requested we are sending six additional copies of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" under separate cover. Best of luck to you in your drive.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 12, 1968

Mr. Everett Santos
U. S. Commission on Civil Rights
801 - 19th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20425

Dear Mr. Santos:

I meant to mention the other day that we would appreciate it if you would give the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council credit for the list of Negro elected officeholders. I hope the revised list I sent you the other day proves helpful. If I can be of further service please do not hesitate to call on me.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 12, 1968

Mr. Roy Hadley
Kirkwood School
138 Kirkwood Road, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30317

Dear Mr. Hadley:

Enclosed is the booklet on the Southern Regional Council which I promised to send you. If I can be of further service please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 12, 1968

Miss Pat Collins
Box 84
Sarah Lawrence College
Bronxville, New York 10708

Dear Pat:

While cleaning out space for VEP's ever-expanding research files I came across these notes of yours which I was hesitant to throw away. Hope you are studying hard. Write us soon.

Love,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 12, 1968

Dr. Gordon C. Zahn
Department of Sociology
University of Massachusetts at Boston
Boston, Massachusetts 02115

Dear Dr. Zahn:

By now you have probably received the Orangeburg report which I sent to you. I hope you found it informative (and depressing). I think it describes a trend that can be seen in the South. Needless to say, the hope for sanity in the future is not bright.

How are you enjoying your job at the University of Massachusetts? I hope you are finding the academic atmosphere more rewarding than at Loyola.

I've been in Atlanta since the latter part of August and am enjoying my job with the Voter Education Project. Most of my work entails traveling and while it is physically taxing, it si nonetheless interesting and gratifying. I'm going to place your name on our mailing list in order that you will receive our monthly newsletter. I hope you find it informative.

I don't know when I will be in the Boston area, but I would really like to see you. Hopefully our paths will someday cross and we'll have a very long conversation about "peace in the world" and sociology (smile).

Best wishes.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 12, 1968

Dr. Angelita O. Yap
Department of Sociology
University of Saskatchewan
Saskatoon, Sakatchewan
Canada

Dear Dr. Yap:

By now you have probably received the report on the killing of the students at Orangeburg, South Carolina. I'm sure you found it as depressing as anything could be these days. With events such as Orangeburg's, the prospects for the future are not bright at all.

My love for the South and a job affording me some opportunity of being involved in the kinds of things I hold very dear have led me to Atlanta---not New York as I thought. And since I've been here, I've found fulfillment in my work. I feel that it was a wise decision for me to come here.

My work essentially, I suppore, falls in the area of political sociology. By nature it is investigative and entails a good deal of traveling throughout the South. I meet many different people of various political hues and I think, with many different problems. The result is educative and exciting work. Wish you were here.

How are you enjoying the University of Saskatchewan? Is it better than Loyola? I hope you are enjoying yourself.

Are you planning to return to the U. S. at the end of this school year or do you think you will be going to the Phillipines? If you do return to the U. S., I hope I get a chance to see you in the not too distant future.

If you're ever in the Atlanta area, I hope you will at least give me a call. My office and home numbers are 522-8764 and 755-0426, respectively.

Take care and let me hear from you, please.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 12, 1968

Mr. William H. Miles
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

Dear Bill:

It was good seeing you again and visiting various areas of Dade County with you and Augie. By now you know of the action we have taken on the proposals and I trust we're going to have four well-run and productive registration drives. These projects represent the boldest venture VEP has ever made on a county-wide basis. It would be tragic if the results were disappointing.

Hope to see you soon.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 12, 1968

Mr. Ezra C. Cunningham
Route 1, Box 25-B
Beatrice, Alabama 36425

Dear Ezra:

It was nice meeting you while I was in Wilcox County and I hope I get to see you again before too long.

Enclosed is a copy of the last issue of New South, as promised. I hope you find it informative.

Regards to Mrs. Black and the others.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

March 12, 1968

Mr. Lou Brock
St. Louis Cardinals
Sheraton Inn
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Lou:

It was good talking with you last week and I only regret we didn't get a chance to see each other. Perhaps we will have an opportunity to shoot the bull if I'm in St. Pete before you leave.

Enclosed is a report on the situation at South Carolina State College in Orangeburg. You'll probably find it depressing, but then, it will not surprise you.

Regards to Katie, Louis and Wanda.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

Reading file

March 12, 1968

Mr. Peter Gardner
Planning Associate
Community Welfare Planning Association
215 Main Street
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Mr. Gardner:

Thank you for your letter of March 11. It was good to meet you in Austin, and we appreciate your interest in our publications.

Under separate cover we are sending a publications list, a somewhat dated brochure (a new one is in process), and copies of two special reports having to do with public assistance. I think I gave you copies of these two, but perhaps you can use the extra ones.

We look forward to hearing from you again.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director, Field Activities

March 12, 1968

Mr. James Stokely
405 Clifton Heights
Newport, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Stokely:

I agree more or less with your critique of the first set you sent including the ones you single out in your note. I particularly like those in the last group, however, better, really, than the first. I think we may use as many as a dozen or more. I'll be more specific, after I've gotten a reading out of one or two other folks. The ones that stand out, to me, at least, include, "May Ravensberry," "Earthen Vessal," "Elisha Hunter," "Early Morning Walk," "Twilight Walk," "Growing Pains," and, "A Clean Breast." There are others, equally good, but these are my favorites. Will write you again shortly, telling you how many exactly and when we'll use them.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

March 12, 1968

Carte Blanche
P. O. Box 54116
Los Angeles, California 90054

Gentlemen:

Please send us an application form for a company account, to which individuals may be added.

With kind regards, I am

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

March 12, 1968

Mr. James W. Armsey
The Ford Foundation
320 E. 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Armsey:

Enclosed are two of our recent publications which Dr. John Griffin has asked that we send you.

Our records show that you have been on our mailing list for some time to receive all SRC publications, including our quarterly, New South. If this is not the case, please let me know and we will correct it.

With all best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 2 (Special Reports: Kenneth Clark and Orangeburg)

VIA AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

March 12, 1968

Mr. Don Jelinek
Southern Rural Research
  Project
P. O. Box 956
Selma, Alabama

Dear Don:

Some of this material might be useful or point you to something useful.

Some of the senators involved in the Labor and Public Welfare Committee hearings (Javits, Kennedy, Clark), it seems, might be sympathetic to a suit against the USDA. Whether they would or could cooperate with you is another question.

The news releases give the number of persons benefitting from stamp and commodity programs in participating Alabama counties. (In determining the number of families from this, the USDA C & MS here in Atlanta uses four as the average number of persons per family in the southeastern area.) The census figures tell how many families in those counties made less than $1,000, $2,000, $3,000, etc., in 1959.

Please look over this material and call us for whatever else you need. I'll send along other material as I find it.

Sincerely,

Warren Pritchard
Research Department

WP:js
Encls.

$1000.00

Mr. Donald Harris

Independent Schools Talent Search

376 Boylston St., Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Seminar for Negro teachers and Counselors ~~counslers~~

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION PROJECT

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March 12, 1968

Mr. Donald Harris
A Better Chance
Independent Schools Talent Search
376 Boylston Street,
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Dear Mr. Harris:

We are pleased to enclose our check in the amount of $1000 in support of a six day educational seminar for Negro teachers and counselors from six Deep South states and counselors, teachers and s students from twenty-five New England prepatory schools.

In making this small grant we have decided that it is to be used primarily to help cover the expenses of the sixteen, or more, Negro teachers and counselors representing the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana and Mississippi. It is our understanding that in many cases they would be from the rural areas.

May we have your official acknowledgement of this check by signing the enclosed letter and returning it to us. After the seminar we would appreciate a report.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis, Director
Community Organization
Project

JL/rh

Enclosures (2)

March 12, 1968

Mr. Dennis Allen
Quaker International Conferences
  and Seminars
12, rue Adrien-Lachenal
1207, Geneva, Switzerland

Dear Dennis:

In keeping with my letter of January 31, I would suggest that you invite Bernard LaFayette to attend the International Seminar of Young Activists.

Bernard is the new program administrator for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. He is also serving as the coordinator of the forthcoming Poor People's Campaign in Washington. Bernard is a former staff member of American Friends Service Committee. He has been active in the Movement for several years. I think that he would do a very good job. Bernard's address: SCLC, 334 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

cc: Nora Booth

March 13, 1968

Mrs. Pearl Draine
Child Development Group
of Mississippi
Vincent Building
203 West Capitol Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Mrs. Draine:

Thank you for your generous patience, your time, and the information you gave me about CDGM.

Back in Atlanta, I have involved myself in trying to understand CDGM and Mississippi Head Starts from the Regional OEO point of view. This means trying to understand OEO itself, and I'm not yet convinced this is possible.

Again, thank you and best wishes for CDGM.

Sincerely yours,

Warren Pritchard
Research Department

WP:js

March 13, 1968

Mr. James McBride Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville
South Carolina 29104

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

I have ordered the books you need. Under separate cover I am sending you William Bradford Huie's *The Klansman*. It is the library's copy, so please return it when you are finished with it.

The book of poems I mentioned was a small, beautifully edited and printed collection by Jane Stembridge. Unfortunately, I just sent the book to Bill Beardslee, who is currently in medical school at Western Reserve in Ohio. As soon as he returns it, I will send it along.

I hope all goes well.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley

March 13, 1968

Dr. Lucius H. Pitts
President
Miles College
Birmingham, Alabama 35208

Dear Lucius:

You can always find the right things to say at the right time, and I thank you from the bottom of my "black heart" for taking the time to do it.

With all best regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 13, 1968

Mr. Robert Valder
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations, Inc.
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Bob:

Thank you for sharing with me your memorandum of resignation. Frankly, I am very happy for you, since the new job sounds like a good one and one that you will do well in. But, I am very sorry for the Alabama Council.

You have done a fine job in Alabama, and I am among a large number of people who know that and appreciate it. I very much hope that in your new job we will have frequent opportunities to work together, and I feel certain that everyone here looks forward to that.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 13, 1968

The Reverend William Chapman
Treasurer, Bootheel Agricultural
Services Cooperative, Inc.
Missouri Delta Ecumenical Ministry
P. O. Box 406
Kennett, Missouri 63857

Dear Mr. Chapman:

We, too, were sorry you were unable to attend our recent conference.

Enclosed are several documents that came out of that meeting.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Encls. - 2.

March 13, 1968

Mr. C. Theodore Miller
Program Director
World Press Institute
Macalester College
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Dear Mr. Miller:

I will be happy to meet with your group on the morning of April 16 at a time convenient for you. Others here will be available also, should you be interested in meeting with them.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 13, 1968

Mr. Eugene Hampton, Jr.
1507 Rosewood Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Mr. Hampton:

It was a pleasure having you with us at our recent meeting.

Enclosed is our check to cover your expenses.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $45.00)

March 13, 1968

Mr. Thomas M. Drake
Research Associate
Bureau for Government
  Research
West Virginia University
Morgantown, West Virginia

Dear Mr. Drake:

We are pleased to grant you permission to reprint selected material from, Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis. All we require are the usual credit notices, such as: "Reprinted from NEW SOUTH, ___(issue) (Year)___, copyright, ________, Southern Regional Council, Inc.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

bc: JB

March 13, 1968

The Reverend Matthew Wilson
354 A Aaron Avenue
Route 7
Orlando, Florida 32805

Dear Mr. Wilson:

I am sorry to say that there is no publication more recent than "Voter Registration in the South, Summer, 1966." We may produce a similar booklet this year, but at the present that is some time in the future.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 13, 1968

Mr. George Booker
Democratic National Committee
2600 Virginia Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20037

Dear George:

Weldon Rougeau told me about your call. I am enclosing our latest state-by-state registration figures which are current as of roughly late fall or early winter. We think there has been a sizeable increase in Texas but I am holding off on that until I see the official statee wide registration figure.

If you need anything further please let me know. And please give my regards to Louis Martin.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 13, 1968

Mr. Bob Valder
Alabama Council on Human Relations, Inc.
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Bob:

It was with a deep feeling of regret that I read your letter of resignation. If there is any silver lining to the dark cloud left by this distressing news, it is that we perhaps will be seeing more of you as you move around in your new area of responsibility.

It has been a great pleasure to "touch base" with you on my trips to Alabama. If there is anything we can ever do for you here in your new job I hope you will let me know. Best of luck to you.

Regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 13, 1968

Mr. Larry Horowitz
Administrative Aide to
Congressman John Conyers
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Larry:

I m sure you had given up on getting the list of Negro elected officials in the South, but it was in the process of being updated, so I decided to wait until it had beem completed. Hope this satisfies your needs for now.

Regards to John.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

March 13, 1968

The Reverend Francis X. Walter
Director
Selma Inter-Religious Project
810 - 29th Avenue
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401

Dear Francis:

Thanks for your letter. It was good hearing from you so soon after seeing you.

I hope we do get a proposal from one of the groups in Wilcox County. We are interested in doing something there with a good viable organization. Hopefully, Mrs. Witherspoon and Miss McMillan will stay in touch with me.

With regard to the list of groups we have funded in Alabama, I am forwarding your request for that information to Thad Olive, the Administrative Assistant. I hope that upon completion of your booklet you will let us have a copy for our files.

Good luck in your work, Francis.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

cc: Thad Olive

March 13, 1968

Mr. Paul Edward Joubert
P. O. Box 3154
State College, Mississippi 39762

Dear Mr. Joubert:

Unfortunately "Voter Registration in the South, 1966" is one of a kind. There has not been a pamphlet like it before or since. However, we do have some county-by-county registration figures for Mississippi in 1964 and 1962. This table is enclosed.

Some 1964 figures were published by the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights in pamphlet called "Registration and Voting Statistics" dated March 19, 1965. Another publication of the Civil Rights Commission published statistics for selected counties. This publication was put out in November, 1965. It is a booklet called "The Voting Rights Act...The First Months." If these publications are not available at State College you might obtain them by writing to the Commission on Civil Rights, Washington, D. C. 20425. Under separate cover I am sending you three publications which might assist you in assessing the variables that affect Negro voting. Finally, I urge you to get a copy of a recent book about the Voter Education Project, "Climbing Jacob's Ladder." The authors are Watters and Cleghorn.

I hope you will find this material helpful. If I can be of further service please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 13, 1968

Mr. Mark Kramer
CBS Election Unit
524 West 57th Street
New York, New York 10019

Dear Mr. Kramer:

Enclosed are our latest state-by-state registration figures. These figures are current as of late fall and early winter. We will try to remember to let you know before we hold another institute ~~oo~~=meeting.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 13, 1968

Mrs. Mary Louise Carter
1132 Carondelet
Apartment #3
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mrs. Carter:

I have just spoken with Mrs. Jean Delara of the Atlanta Urban League about present employment opportunities for you in the Atlanta area. It is my understanding that she will write to advise you in this regard. I hope something meaningful comes of it.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

cc: Mrs. Jean Delara
Atlanta Urban League
239 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

March 13, 1968

Mr. Bob Valder
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Bob:

I was deeply saddened to hear of your resignation from the Alabama Council, but then, your reasons for leaving seem sound to me. Good luck in your new job.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 13, 1968

The Reverend Francis X. Walter
Director
Selma Inter-Religious Project
810 - 29th Avenue
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401

Dear Francis:

Thanks for your letter. It was good hearing from you so soon after seeing you.

I hope we do get a proposal from one of the groups in Wilcox County. We are interested in doing something there with a good viable organization. Hopefully, Mrs. Witherspoon and Miss McMillan will stay in touch with me.

With regard to the list of groups we have funded in Alabama, I am forwarding your request for that information to Thad Olive, the Administrative Assistant. I hope that upon completion of your booklet you will let us have a copy for our files.

Good luck in your work, Francis.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

cc: Thad Olive

March 13, 1968

Mr. John Killens
Writer-in-Residence
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear John:

Thanks for reminding me about the copy of New South that I promised to send you. I had hoped to send you the winter issue (devoted entirely to poverty) but it is still not off the press. So I'm enclosing the last two issues for you to look over.

It appears that the Writer's Conference will be very interesting this year and I'm anxiously awaiting more information about it.

Until next time.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

March 13, 1968

Mr. Richard B. Sobol
Chief Staff Counsel
Lawyers Constitutional Defense Committee
606 Common Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Dick:

Thanks for the compliments on the report; it has been getting considerable attention in and out of the South. My only hope is that it may help in someway to bring about the sanity which is so vitally needed in confrontations of this sort.

Your name has been added to the VEP and SRC mailing lists.

Take care.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 14, 1968

Mr. Alex Alford
Chairman
Progressive Democrats
P. O. Box 412
Georgetown, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Alford:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly report for the week ending February 22. In order to be fully reimbursed as per your expenditures, we will need supporting documents from Highmarket Street Shell for $35.00 for Transportation and Sams Office Supply for $10.00 for office supplies.

May we have this at your earliest convenience so as not to impede the progress of your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

cc: James Felder
Marvin Wall
Weldon Rougeau

March 14, 1968

Mr. W. C. Patton
NAACP and Voter Registration Office
1630 North Fourth Avenue
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Patton:

Pursuant to your request, enclosed are the names and addresses of all funded projects in North Carolina.

The Reverend C. W. Ward
Raleigh Citizens Association
Raleigh Branch, NAACP
101 South Wilmington Street
Raleigh

Fred Belfield, Jr.
Director
Nash County Voter Education Project
313 Spruce Street
Rocky Mount

Dr. S. B. Thomas
Burlington Branch, NAACP
627 Rauhut Street
Burlington

Herbert J. Bryant
Southport-Brunswick County Branch, NAACP
Route 1, Box 156
Bolivia

Mr. Wilson W. Lee
Iredell County Voters League
1426 Church Street
Statesville

Milton F. Fitch
Citizens League of Wilson County
517 South Lodge Street
Wilson

Wallace C. Blackwell
Person County Voters League
Route 3, Box 487-A
Roxboro

John W. Edwards
Green County Branch, NAACP
Route 3, Box 69
Snow Hill

Theaoseus T. Clayton
Warren County Branch, NAACP
Warren

Samuel E. Dalton
Rockingham Branch, NAACP
618 Winstead Street
Beidsville

Herbert Green
Pitt County Branch, NAACP
1608 West Third Street
Greenville

Mrs. Louise Jenkins
Fayetteville Area Poor People's Organization
870 Brewer Street
Fayetteville

If additional information is needed, let us know.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

March 14, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

Enclosed are the names and addresses of persons submitting proposals from North Carolina:

The Reverend Elbert Lee, Jr.
Rocky Mount Branch, NAACP
1121 Sandona Cifcle
Rocky Mount
(919) 446-7728

B. J. Battle
Greensboro Branch, NAACP
Post Office Box 20641
Greensboro

Ralph H. Brown
President
Bladen County Unit NAACP
Route 1, Box 196
Council

Wilmington Branch, NAACP
Mrs. Mamie H. Thomas
President
1301 King Street
Wilmington

Mr. McCoy Brown
Branch President
Edgecombe County NAACP
516 East St. James Street
Tarboro
JA3-3702

Lewis Wood, Jr.
Branch President
Eastern Catawba County NAACP
P. O. Box 267
Catawba
241-3792

John, I didn't Xerox a copy because they were too long, however, if you are interested in a particular one, let me know and I can send you a copy.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

March 14, 1968

Mr. C. Ray Jenkins
Alabama Journal
Montgomery, Ala.

Dear Ray:

Many thanks.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall

Enc.: check for $10.00

March 15, 1968

Mr. Donald H. Weiss, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Philosophy
The University of Texas at Arlington
Arlington, Texas 76010

Dear Dr. Weiss:

Thank you for your letter of March 11. We shall be glad to help in any way we can with the Human Relations Resource Center and Seminar Program.

Enclosed are two bibliographies from the Curriculum Consultation Service and one copy of our publications list. Please note that you may take advantage of our publications subscription service, which would assure your getting all of our publications at once.

Under separate cover, we are sending free copies of the three reports we have issued so far in 1968.

It was a pleasure meeting you, and we wish you well in this worthwhile undertaking.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enclosures

March 15, 1968

Mrs. Woodbridge E. Morris
301 Ridgeway
Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

Dear Mrs. Morris:

I am grateful for your letter, and distressed that you have had so much difficulty obtaining copies of our book. I am having two copies mailed to you today.

I hope you enjoy it.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl. - 1.

bc: Mrs. Hilda Lindley. Also, copy of Mrs. Morris' ltr. sent to Mrs. Lindley.

March 15, 1968

Miss Marie Hess
Box 104
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Miss Hess:

Some materials have already been sent to you. In addition, under separate cover, I am sending you some xeroxed newspaper clippings on the National Guard and police brutality in Nashville, Tennessee.

There have been rumors of a crime committee in Tennessee. You may verify this by writing to your police department.

For more information, may I suggest you write:

City of Atlanta Police Department
Crime Prevention Division
175 Decatur Street, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Thanks for writing us, and if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Department

DR:js

March 15, 1968

Mr. Edward Reed
Executive Editor
The Center Magazine
Box 4068
Santa Barbara, California 93103

Dear Mr. Reed:

You are of course welcome to use the marked parts of my letter to Ping Ferry.

It's a beautiful magazine you put out.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

March 18, 1968

Mrs. Barbara Chirse
Administrative Assistant
NCDH
323 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Mrs. Chirse:

Inccompliance with your request, I am enclosing a copy of Mr. Jordan's vita sheet for your use and information. The six glossy prints were forwarded to you, rather to Miss Fisher a few days ago.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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Enclosures

March 18, 1968

Mr. Albert A. Duncan
Chairman
Alpha Education Week
Morehouse College
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Duncan:

Enclosed for your information in connection with your Alpha Rho Chapter progfam, is a vita sheet for Mr. Jordan. If additional information is needed, please let me know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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Enclosure

March 18, 1968

Mr. Robert Valder
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama

Dear Mr. Valder:

I am writing to secure your assistance in a project I have undertaken for the Voter Education Project.

I am trying to put together, in booklet form, a series of interviews with successful and unsuccessful Negro political candidates from across the South.

In Alabama I selected: Lucius Amerson, James R. Weatherly, Fred Gray and Tommy Wrenn.

From the SRC research files I have gathered a great deal of information about Amerson and a lesser amount on Gray's race. On Wrenn I have next to no information, and nothing at all about Weatherly.

I wonder whether your office has any data on vote totals in those last two races, a breakdown on the racial composition of the constituencies Wrenn and Weatherly wanted to represent, or any other relevant information on them.

Finally, I wonder if you have suggestions about other possibilities in Alabama. Have their been any Negro Republicans vying for office anywhere in the state in the last few years? Have any independent candidates made victorious or otherwise significant races?

I would appreciate any help at all that you could offer.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

March 18, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Executive Director
Tennessee Council on Human Relations
818-B 17th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Mr. Bryant:

I am writing to secure your help in a research project I am engaged in for the Voter Education Project.

I am trying to interview some 30 selected Negro candidates for public office. I have selected Republicans, Democrats and Independents, winners and losers, urban and rural candidates.

I hope the collected interviews can be put together in a "How To Do It" booklet that will make voter education more real to Southern Negroes.

In Tennessee, I have chosen A. W. Willis, Mr. Dan Nixon, Alexander Looby, Robert J. Booker and Jesse Turner. Each has been sent a form like the one I've enclosed. Additionally, I've gathered some information on each one from the SRC clipping files.

I hope the Tennessee Council could help supply me with additional data on each candidate, including vote totals in their elections (in Attorney Looby's case his first election), racial composition in their districts and any other pertinent information.

I hope you can help me in this project.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

March 18, 1968

August VandenBosche
Executive Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida

Dear Mr. VandenBosche:

I am writing to secure your aid in a project I have undertaken for the Voter Education Project.

I am collecting interviews from selected Negro political aspirants, successful and unsuccessful, urban and rural, Democratic, Republican and Independent.

I hope the collected interviews can be put together in booklet form as a "How To Do It" explanation of political action in a variety of circumstances.

In Florida, I have chosen Earle Johnson, Mrs. Athalie Range and Malcolm Cunningham. Each has been sent a form like the one I've enclosed. In addition, I've tried to collect as much factual information as possible about each one from the SRC research files.

I wonder if you can supply me with additional data. I am interested in vote totals, the racial composition of their constituencies, and any other pertinent facts about their candidacies.

I'd also appreciate your suggestions about other Floridians who h have run for public office and who may have won or lost. The names above represent urban, successful candidates, and proper balance in this project suggests that I try to include some rural and unsuccessful candidates.

I would deeply appreciate any help you could extend.

Newspaper clippings that would indicate vote totals would be especially helpful.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

March 18, 1968

Mr. Frank Adams
Virginia Council on Human Relations
17 East Cary Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Mr. Adams:

I am writing to solicit your aid in a project I have undertaken for the Voter Education Project.

I am attempting to put together in booklet form a series of interviews with Negro political candidates from across the South. Those we have chosen include both urban and rural candidates, those who have won and those who have lost, Republicans, Democrats and Independents.

In Virginia, I selected Joseph A. Jordan, Henry Marsh, B. A. Cephas, Dr. R. P. Robinson and Garland Faison.

The research files of SRC have given me a great deal of information on all of the above except Faison, a justice of the peace in Greensville County.

Additionally, I can fine no information about Mr. Cephas' first try for the Richmond city council.

Does the Virginia Council maintain clipping files, and if so, may I ask you to forward copies of the clips that relate to these races? I would appreciate any other material relevant to these races that you might have or other sources you could direct me to.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

March 18, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
306 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Mr. Dean:

I am writing to ask your help in a research project I have undertaken for the Voter Education Project.

I am trying to put together, in booklet form, a series of interviews with successful and unsuccessful Negro political candidates across the South.

In Mississippi, I selected: Charles Evers, McEwen Walker, Unita Blackwell, Mrs. Geneva Collins, James Jolliff, Robert Williams, and Mayor Lid[illegible] Wesley of Mound Bayou.

I have sent each of the above a form like the one I've enclosed. Additionally, I need other information on their candidacies.

Could your office supply me with vote totals, information on the racial composition of their constituencies, and any other relevant data?

I have some information on Jolliff and Mrs. Collins, gleaned from the SRC research files, but really need much more.

Additionally, the list above is overloaded with successful candidates and I wonder if you can suggest some additional ones who were not so fortunate.

Any help you can give would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

PS: Have there been any Republican Negro candidates in Mississippi in the last four years? Any non-FDP independents beside Robert Clark?

March 18, 1968

Mr. Samuel Adams
St. Petersburg *Times*
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Sam:

Weldon asked that I send you the enclosed pamphlet, and says that he hopes you are feeling better.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Administrative Secretary

nm
Enclosure

P. S. Sam, I also say that I am glad you are better -- what in the world are you falling for. Save yourself for me.

March 18, 1968

Mr. O. V. Williamson
Williamson Realty Company
855 Hunter Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. Williamson:

Many thanks for your prompt answer to my letter.

Since you are in Atlanta, I wonder if I might interview you in person rather than on the telephone. Would the same time and date - March 28th, 11:00 A. M. - suit you for an in-person talk?

Additionally, I wonder if you could help me with another problem.

I mentioned in my first letter that this study would try to seek out Democrats and Republicans and Independents.

Do you know of any Negroes - outside Atlanta - who have run for public office in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi or Florida as Republicans?

I have some Negro Republicans in Virginia but none elsewhere.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

March 18, 1968

Mr. Frederick B. Routh
Executive Director
N. A. I. R. O.
2027 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Frederick B.:

Thanks for your note and your comments about Washington. I arrive Wednesday afternoon at National Airport, Delta #350, 5:15 p.m. I have a reservation at the Washington Hilton.

While it is good of you to offer to meet me, I see little sense in your battling that five o'clock traffic. If you show up, more power to you. Otherwise, what about me getting myself to the hotel and planning to meet you there around 6:00 p.m. for dinner?

I must return promptly on Friday evening, since I leave Saturday morning for Nassau. That's called doing the Routh!

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

VIA AIR MAIL March 18, 1968

Mr. William Olson
President
Friends of Wilton Park
Wiston House
Steyning
Sussex, England

Dear Mr. Olson:

Thank you so much for your note from Wiston House. I envy your being at the 100th Wilton Park Conference.

I plan to be at the meeting at the British Embassy on April 18th, and look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 18, 1968

Miss Revelle Pergament
24470 Haskell
Taylor, Michigan 48180

Dear Revelle:

The accounting of Mr. Cox is correct, and we look forward to seeing you the first of May.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 18, 1968

Mrs. H. Elliott Wright
Administrative Assistant
Christianity and Crisis
537 West 121st Street
New York, New York 10027

Dear Juanita:

We appreciated your letter of March 14. Glad to hear that you are gainfully employed and that, as we have always suspected, the North has more human relations problems than the South. Ha!

Since I have little to do with NEW SOUTH (partially explaining its consistently high quality), I have passed your letter along to Bob Anderson, Managing Editor, and James N. Wood, Executive Assistant to the Director of SRC. You should hear from one of them soon, and I have no doubt that they will want to work out some arrangement with you folks.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

March 18, 1968

Mr. Sheldon C. Singer
Executive Vice President
Ring Radio - WRNG
3954 Peachtree Road
Atlanta, Georgia 30319

Dear Mr. Singer:

As a listener and twice a guest on a discussion program, I have been deeply impressed with the programming and performance of WRNG. It is no exaggeration to say that the station involves its audience more than any radio station I have ever heard, and for that matter, more than any media -- newspaper, magazine, as well as television -- that I know of.

This involvement of people (and it is obviously a large cross section, representing all the different elements of Atlanta society) is balanced by the highly skilled and intelligent handling of the calls from the public by the station's announcers. With firmness and considerable tact, the announcers maintain an amazingly high degree of fairness, coherence, and good taste. They obviously respect the people and the concept of free and open discussion, and for the most part this respect is reciprocated by those who call in.

The quality of discussion is high. One is struck again and again with the amount of intelligence and thought reflected in the calls from the public, and the politeness. In a like manner, the selection of guests is good, representing informed opinion of all shades, sound information and analysis on matters of importance. To a remarkable degree, the station's programming develops the full context of news events far better than most newspapers and even magazines.

In short, I think WRNG makes real the concept of free and open discussion as a component of democracy, exemplifying what is possible toward this duty through modern media, and emphasizing how far short of the duty most broadcasters and publishers are.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

March 18, 1968

Mr. Frank Santos
Managing Editor
National Features Syndicate
2713 North Pulaski Road
Chicago, Illinois 60639

Dear Mr. Santos:

Attached are biographical notes on Weldon Rougeau and me as requested for story on our Orangeburg report.

Thank you for your interest.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encls. - 2.

March 18, 1968

Mr..George Groh
30 Cooper Lane
Larchmont
New York

Dear Mr. Groh:

You might find some useful information in a U. S. census Current Population Report, Technical Studies series, entitled "Lifetime Migration Histories of the American People;" Series p-23, No. 25, March 8, 1968.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

March 18, 1968

Mr. Gordon G. Henderson
Data Surveys
Arizona Title Building
Suite 410
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Dear Gordon:

Many thanks for your good note. It was a pleasure to see you and talk with you. We will keep our eyes and ears open for ways to be of help.

Come to see us.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

March 18, 1968

Miss Susanna McBee
Life Magazine
1120 Connecticut Avenue N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Miss McBee:

I am enclosing copies of the introduction and conclusions of the Alabama Business review which compares economic conditions in the state in 1967 with those in 1966. The only other "dismals" I can come up with are the Sherrill piece in the Nation and Marshall Frady's in the New York Times Magazine. We discussed both of these, I think. As I told you, Gene Guerro has done considerable research in this area. His Address is Middle Earth, 8th Street, Atlanta; telpphone: 875-2432.

It was a pleasure talking to you. Good luck.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley

Enclosures: 2

March 18, 1968

Mr. Robert Valder
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Bob:

Damn.

Sincerely,
Glenda Bartley

March 18, 1968

Dr. Margaret J. Rioch
Chairman, Washington School of
Psychiatry Conference Committee
The Washington School of Psychiatry
1610 New Hampshire Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20009

Dear Dr. Rioch:

This is to give you every assurance that we will be more than happy to have Mr. Moreland G. Smith as our representative to your conference. I can assure you of his integrity and emotional stability.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM March 18, 1968

To: Bernice C. Cook

From: MMJohnson

Bernice,

Please package up and ~~attach~~ mail the following to Mr. C. Theodore Miller, Macalester College St. Paul, Minn.:

3 copies each:

Orangeburg Report
Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis
Ken Clark's speech
Latest New South

(label attached)

thanx, mmj

Separate mailing: 3 copies each of: Orangeburg,
Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis
Ken Clark's speech
Latest NEW SOUTH

March 18, 1968

Mr. C. Theodore Miller
Program Director
World Press Institute
Macalester College
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101

Dear Mr. Miller:

The afternoon of April 16th is fine with us.

Under separate cover we are sending you several copies of some of our recent publications.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 18, 1968

Mr. Walter Zand
Florida Area Director
The American Jewish Committee
701 DuPont Plaza Center
Miami, Florida 33131

Dear Walter:

It was good having you at the conference and getting to know you.

Under separate cover we are sending you the requested 50 copies of Kenneth Clark's speech, and are happy to provide you with with them.

Incidentally, the University of Miami is my alma mater, and I went there because it opened that year the Human Relations Center. Is it still going, and if so, who's involved?

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM **March 18, 1968**

To: **Bernice C. Cook**

From: **MMJOHNSON**

Bernice,

Please package up and mail 50 **copies of Kenneth Clark's speech to:**

Mr. Walter Zand
ACJ - Miami

(label attached)

thanx, mmj

March 18, 1968

Mr. Joseph P. Witherspoon
Professor of Law
The University of Texas at Austin
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Joe:

Thank you for your warm letter about the conference. It was our sincere pleasure to cooperate with you in this, and I am especially pleased at your comments about Ed's help.

I feel the conference was more than worthwhile and hope many good things will come from it.

I would appreciate having the excerpts of comments when it is convenient.

I, too, felt the conference gave added throust to the idea of a Southwest organization. And, I think your involvement with the Oklahoma people will be very helpful in this regard.

We continue to be available for any assistance we can offer in this, and I would appreciate your continued thinking and suggestions about our future involvement in the Southwest. I feel this new involvement on our part, little as it has been, in the Southwest is helpful and essential to us.

It does sound to me preferable to print the proceedings and to do it over your own control. Toward that end, we can provide $1,000, if you wish.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 18, 1968

Mr. Gordon G. Henderson
Data Surveys
Arizona Title Building, Suite 410
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Dear Gordon:

Pat gave me a good report on your visit. I am only sorry I was unable to be here.

While we do have a strong proprietary feeling about the region, we also have a strong commitment to cooperating with good people like yourself. In fact, I very much appreciate your thinking of us, and telling us about your program. I hope we will have occasion to get into trouble together.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 18, 1968

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Top Knot
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wright:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter about the state Councils. I am completely in agreement with the ideas you express. This matter will probably be a major item on the agenda of our April 6th Executive Committee meeting.

I look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 18, 1968

Mr. John P. Murray
Executive Director
Houston Council on Human Relations
3505 Main Street
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Jack:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter. I am still very confused as to what our future relations with the state Councils will be. And, I am every more puzzled in the behavior of some of the directors. Nevertheless, I think you are very wise to remain apart from the situation, and I look forward to a continuing, close, and mutual relationship between SRC and the Houston Council.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 18, 1968

Mr. Marshall Bragdon
Intergroup Consultant
1384 Commonwealth Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts 02134

Dear Marshall:

Enclosed is an additional copy of *Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis*.

It was good to hear from you.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

March 19, 1968

Dear Bob:

I'm sorry.

The new job sounds good and I am sure will afford you more personal satisfaction. But damn it, out of selfishness, I am sorry your good heart and influence won't be with us any more, and I am sorry they won't be there in Alabama mitigating against the evil you describe so well.

I don't know of anybody whose work I respect more. I am glad you will still be in the South -- and of course hope you will holler if I can ever be of any help in your new work.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Mr. Robert Valder
Alabama Council on Human
 Relations
P. O. Box 1310
Auburn, Alabama   36830

March 19, 1968

Mr. Don Jelinek
c/o Mr. William Payne
Federal Program Division
U. S. Commission on Civil Rights
Washington, D. C.

Dear Don:

Enclosed:

1. As of January, 1968, only nine Alabama counties were operating stamp programs. Checking as far back as July, 1965, only one of these nine (Lamar) was previously operating a commodity program.

Lamar County:
July, 1965 - 2,317 persons received commodities;
January, 1966 - 2,069 persons received commodities;
July, 1967 - 612 persons participated in stamp program;
January, 1968 - 733 persons participated in stamp program.

2. OEO has what it calls a community profile which describes each county in the U. S. with about 40 pages for each. I took what seemed relevant to your project out of the sections on the nine counties you mentioned.

The enclosure is the first five pages of the profile for Autauga County. This is a summary of the whole profile. Since each profile follows the same format, I wrote in the relevant figures for the other eight counties. The initials on the graph (page 003) indicate where each of the other counties fell. For example, Wilcox, Lowndes, Greene, Hale, Perry, and Sumter fall at the extreme unfavorable end of the "socio-economic indicator" called severity of poverty. Dallas is "significantly" unfavorable, as is Autauga.

Elmore comes out best but still far below the norm. If you read these five pages, it should be clear what I did.

Note that on the back of page 005 I jotted down relevant items out of the rest of each county's profile. All the 1966 figures are estimates.

3. In a previous letter, I said the Emergency Food and Medical Services bill (called the Stennis Bill) died in the House Committee. That's not so. It is law now, an amendment to the OEO act. Six million is allocated for fiscal year '68 to fund programs in the 225 neediest counties (selected on basis of lowest per capita income and from the "lowest percentiles of the USDA's five-factor Composite of Relative Economic Status) -- whatever that is -- probably something like this OEO graph.) In Alabama, there are 24 eligible counties. Except for Autauga and Elmore, all your nine are among them.

Source: Program Guidelines; Emergency Food and Medical Services, OEO - Department of Health, Education, and Welfare - Department of Agriculture, March, 1968.

Sincerely,

Warren Pritchard
Research Department

WP:js

Encls

March 19, 1968

Mrs. H. Elliott Wright
Administrative Assistant
Christianity and Crisis
437 West 121st Street
New York, New York 10027

Dear Mrs. Wright:

Ed Stanfield has passed your letter of March 14 on to me. We would be delighted to work out some kind of mutual list exchange with you. Unfortunately we wouldn't be able to give you tapes of our addresses (we aren't mechanically set up to do so), but if you could send us your envelopes we could address them and return them to you. I would imagine, since you mail second class, that you prefer to send us yours on tapes. I know it would be less cumbersome for you that way. However, any way you want could be worked out. Our list totals 5,000.

Let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

3/19/68

Dear Paul:

The attached is as promised, and again, forgive my laggardness. The thing is at last in the final phases. I want to say again what a distinguished piece of writing I think it is. I'm proud we are associated with it.

Best.

March 19, 1968

Mr. Paul Good
12 Pennoyer Street
Rowayton, Connecticut 06853

Dear Paul:

This is to assure you that Southern Regional Council will sign over to you the copyright on your writing on rural poverty which is to appear in the winter issue of NEW SOUTH. We will, of course, be grateful for some mention of its appearing in NEW SOUTH. As soon as the issue is out, we will process the necessary forms and send them on to you.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

March 19, 1968

Mr. Mark Israel
72 Willowdean Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts 02132

Dear Mark:

Thanks for the reminder. I do continue to remember your interests, though reminders are always good things.

Our planning relative to further servicing and support of the state councils is moving more slowly than I had hoped, and it will likely be several more months, at least, before we can tell what is to happen or deal with specifics.

In the meantime, the director of the Alabama Council on Human Relations, 303-A Foster Street, Auburn, Alabama 36830, has just resigned. That Council may be looking for a replacement (or it may plan to have no further staffed operation). I believe I recall you said you and your wife didn't want to be in the Deep South, and Alabama is that. But should this not be the case, you might want to write the president of the Alabama Council, Mr. Joseph A. Gannon, 401 Karter Street, Huntsville, Alabama.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 19, 1968

Mr. Joseph A. Gannon
401 Karter Street
Huntsville, Alabama 35805

Dear Joe:

The list of the participants of the conference and other materials were mailed some time ago. I don't know why you didn't get copies. Enclosed is that material.

Also, under separate cover, we are sending you four copies of Kenneth Clark's speech.

I have meant to talk with you about the implications of Bob Valder's leaving. I am very sorry that he is going, but think he has a good job and will do well in it. I know from Bob and others there that there is the question of whether or not the Alabama Council should continue as a staffed operation. I know, also, there are some very hard questions and facts involved, and obviously you and your board have to be very realistic about them. And, I think only you and your board can make the final decisions about them.

Generally, for some years now the Alabama Council has been one of the best of these state operations and has enjoyed superior policy leadership, in spite of whatever frustrations were involved.

This is merely to assure you that I and we here are available to be of any possible assistance. And, whatever structure we set up for the future, or whatever resources we have, I simply want you to know that I will do anything possible to help you financially or otherwise. Mind you, anything possible may be precious little, but I am certainly willing to try.

Should you wish to talk about this, I would welcome a collect telephone call from you at any time.

With all best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 19, 1968

Dr. Glen Snider
University of Oklahoma
Norman, Oklahoma

Dear Glen:

Thanks for bringing me up-to-date on the Center. As I hope you know, I continue to have a very real interest in the Center and an appreciation for what it has been able to do. Recently, I have particularly enjoyed several pleasant visits to Tulsa with Joe Garrison;s program.

I am turing your letter over to one of our staff people who deals with placement affairs. I doubt if we have any suggestions that are worthwhile, but if we do you will hear from us further.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM March 19, 1968

To: Bernice C. Cook

From: MMJohnson

Bernice,

Please package up the following materials and mail to Mr. Edward Day, Poverty Rights Action Center (label attached):

Orangeburg report

Latest NEW SOUTH

Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis

Prison report

thanx, mmj

March 19, 1968

Mr. Edward Day
Poverty Rights Action Center
1762 Corcoran Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20009

Dear Ed:

Under separate cover we are sending you a copy of our welfare report, which I mentioned to you last week in Washington. With it are several other publications of ours which may be of some interest to you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM March 19, 1968

To: Bernice C. Cook

From: MMJohnson

Bemnice:

Please have packaged up 10 copies of ORANGEBURG and send to Theodore Freedman in Houston (label attached).

thanx, mmj

March 19, 1968

Mr. Theodore Freedman
Southern Director
Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith
1513 Melrose Building
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Ted:

It's very good to hear from you, and even better to know that you are back.

I, too, was sorry that we didn't get to see each other at Austin.

Under separate cover we are sending you the requested 10 copies of the Orangeburg report. Glad to know you can make use of them.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 19, 1968

The Reverend John Morris
4655 Jett Road, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear John:

I am leaving tomorrow and will be out of the office until April 1. Let's plan to get together possibly that week. I am still very anxious for us to get into some kind of trouble together. Fair warning. If we do, however, it certainly will not include four staff people.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 19, 1968

Mr. R. M. Winston
809 East Tenth Street
Bloomington, Indiana 47401

Dear Mr. Winston:

Please forgive me this delay in answering your letter of March 2. Earlier when I wrote you I had some hope that we would have available a modest amount of money to assist in research such as yours. Regrettably, this hope has not been realized and we simply are not in a position to consider your request, since we have no funds for that purpose.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 19, 1968

Mrs. Rilla R. Moran
Moran Associates, Inc.
2004 20th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Rilla:

Thanks for the brochure. We have not forgotten Moran Associates -- just can't afford them.

Everything is fine with me most days. The world is rosy. No problems, no troubles. And then, when I get out of bed....

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

March 19, 1968

Mrs. Lillian F. Amis
Chairman, Voter Education
Georgia Council on Human Relations
Post Office Box 340
Carrollton, Georgia 30117

Dear Mrs. Amis:

Unfortunately, our supply of copies of the Voting Rights Act is running low. However, you may obtain copies by writing the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, Washington, D. C., 20425.

Under separate cover, I am sending you 50 copies each of "Know Your Rights" and "Know Your Georgia Government." I believe you will find these booklets of some use in a voter education workshop.

If I can be of further service, please let me know.

With best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

March 19, 1968

Mr. Zelma C. Wyche
505 West Green Street
Tallulah, Louisiana 71282

Dear Zelma:

Many thanks for the clippings. I knew the election was rotten, but I didn't realize how rotten until I read the article from The Baton Rouge Morning Advocate. I don't have the slightest doubt that you will win your court case.

It was a great pleasure seeing you and Mrs. Wyche again at New Orleans. Hope we'll see you again soon---maybe at the swearing-in ceremony!

Cordially,

Marvin Wall

March 19, 1968

Donald Hollowell, Esquire
Regional Director
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
1776 Peachtree Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Don:

Shirley informed me upon my return that you called in regard to my article in the Atlanta *Journal* over a week ago. Thanks for your good words.

Inasmuch as the *Journal* article was cut considerably, I thought you might be interested in the full text. If you have any comments or suggestions, I would certainly welcome them.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

March 19, 1968

Mrs. Dixon Preston
Southern Bureau
New York Times
10 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mrs. Preston:

Thanks for your kind word regarding the article in the Journal a week ago. Its good to know that you liked it.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

MARCH 19, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Weldon Rougeau

FROM: Marvin Wall

Your inquiry about Simpson County proved quite timely. I just talked to the new man in charge of federal examiners in this region of the Civil Service Commission. He notes that CSC dispatches examiners upon instructions from the Justice Department, and examiners have not been active in Mississippi since last fall. However, examiners will be active in all 34 designated Mississippi counties for four Saturdays in a row, beginning March 23. This means at least one locationwwill be opne each of these four Saturdays (March 23 and 30, and April 6 and 13). In fact, there will be two locations in only one County (Hinds) and one location each in the other 33. So we have a little time left to begin thinking about how to capitalize on this opportunity.

Incidentally, the new man, a Mr. McCullar, is by no means cooperative. Mel Gheesling was quite cooperative.

cc: [illegible]EJ
TO

March 19, 1968

Mr. A. G. Trammell
Secretary-Treasurer
Alabama Labor Council, AFL-CIO
604 Lyric Building
Birmingham, Alabama 35203

Dear Mr. Trammell:

Mr. Jordan has passed your letter of March 14, 1968 along to me for reply. Under separate cover, I am sending you several pieces of material containing various thoughts and statistics on Negro voting strength. I hope the material proves helpful. If this material suggests any questions, I will be happy to try to answer them.

Please give my regards to Barney Weeks. Let me know if we can be of further service.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

MARCH 19, 1968

Mr. J. Michael Keenan
Volusia-Flagler ACLU
1337 Ridgewood
Holly Hill, Florida 32017

Dear Mr. Keenan:

Thank you for your inquiry about "Know Your Rights." The bulk rate is 20 cents per copy. If you would like to place an order, I shall be happy to handle it.

With best wishes,

Marvin Wall

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

March 19, 1968

Miss Sara Craig
Congressional Relations Coordinator
Office of Economic Opportunity
Southeast Regional Office
730 Peachtree Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Sara:

Thanks so much for your kind note regarding my article in the Journal Forum. It was good of you to write.

If you are interested in a complete copy of the remarks that the article was taken from, please let Mrs. Morgan, my secretary know.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

March 19, 1968

Dr. Edward F. Renwick
Director of the Symposium on
Southern Politics
Louisiana State University in
New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Ed:

It was a pleasure to participate in your Symposium last weekend. It was a good experience for me and I hope I added something positve to the Institute. My experiences were as follows:

Round trip (tourist) fare to New Orleans	$	67.20
Cab fare -- Atlanta (resident to airport & return	$	12.00
-- New Orleans(airport to hotel & return	$	8.00
Total	$	87.20

Thanks again for asking me, and I look forward to seeing you on my next trip to New Orleans.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

March 19, 1968

Mr. Glen T. Broach
Political Science Department
University of Alabama
University, Alabama 35486

Dear Mr. Broach:

Unfortunately we do not have current registration figures by county and by race for Mississippi. However, if your research leads you to a particular county, we can try to supply the registration figure for you.

With best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

March 19, 1968

Miss Eloise Moreland
Consultant for Racial Justice
National Student Young Woman's
Christian Association of the U.S.A.
600 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Miss Moreland:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the National Student Young Woman's Christian Association of the U. S. A. for a grant to conduct a student program in voter education and voter registration in Columbia, South Carolina.

This is to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00, and our check in the amount of same is herewith enclosed. Please sign and return the enclosed receipted carbon at your earliest convenience.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding special reporting requirements.

If you have any further questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

Check in the amount of $1,500.00 received from the Voter Education Project on this __________ day of ____________, 1968.

Signed: ______________________________
Eloise Moreland, Consultant
Racial Justice

March 19, 1968

Mr. Donald Burke
115 Winifred Avenue
Lansdowne, Maryland 21227

Dear Mr. Burke:

In connection with your request for information about Senate elections in Virginia, I urge you to write the Institute of Government, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia 22903. Their May 15, 1967 newsletter analyzed the 1966 Senate elections. It is possible that previous elections were analyzed in previous newsletters. Best of luck.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

VEP-68-32

March 19, 1968

Mr. Willie Hazelwood
President
NAACP Branch
Humphrey County Voter Education Project
283 Central Street
Belzoni, Mississippi 39038

Dear Mr. Hazelwood:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Humphrey County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in ~~Belzonia~~ Humphrey County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $200.00 for a period of one week, to run from March 22 to March 29, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to one week subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

A)	Transportation	$ 200.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

VEP-68-33

March 19, 1968

Mr. Robert L. Harrell
President
Asheville-Buncombe County
Citizens' Organization
13½ Eagle Street
Asheville, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Harrell:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Asheville-Buncombe County Citizens' Organization for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Asheville-Buncombe County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,300.00, for a period of four weeks to run from March 18 to April 8, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's expenses @ $ 50.00 per week	$ 200.00
b)	(6) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)	360.00
c)	Transportation	350.00
d)	Office Rent	30.00
e)	Printing and Postage	125.00
f)	Student Program	150.00
g)	Utilities	85.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure
cc: John Edwards

March 19, 1968

Mr. Joe L. Coleman
5540 Draughn Drive
Jackson, Mississippi 39209

Dear Mr. Coleman:

Thank you for your letter regarding "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign." We would not be able to supply as many as 2,000 copies without charging you, and the bulk rate for this booklet is 20 cents per copy. If you would like to place an order for this booklet, I will be happy to handle it.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

Jean Palmer

March 19, 1968

Dear Jean:

How good it was to hear from you. How dare you accuse me of avoiding you when you were here Thanksgiving? Obviously, I did not see you, and you made no effort to make me see you. Rather than waving to me, why didn't you come over and squeeze my hand?

We are forwarding, per your request, four copies of the SRC Orangeburg report. I am sure you will find it good and interesting.reading.

Please let me hear from you when you are next in Atlanta.

By the way, do you ever see our mutual friend Barbara Jones?

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

March 19, 1968

Miss Flora M. Roth
Office of Research and Policy
U. S. Information Agency
1750 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D. C. 20547

Dear Miss Roth:

Under separate cover, I am sending you some material on the Voter Education Project and recent registration drives. In addition, I strongly recommend that you get "Climbing Jacob's Ladder," a recently published book about the Voter Education Project.

If I can be of further service, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

March 20, 1968

Dr. Gordon B. Hancock
2908 Noble Avenue
Richmond, Virginia 23222

Dear Dr. Hancock:

Enclosed is our check for your expenses.

It was a joy to see you, as it always is.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check)

via air mail March 20, 1968

Mr. Gunnar Myrdal
Institute for International
Economic Studies
Wenner-Gren Center
University of Stockholm
Stockholm, Sweden

Dear Mr. Myrdal:

Each year the Southern Regional Council holds an annual meeting for three days for its 100 members. During the course of that meeting this year, and on the evening of Thursday, November 14, our annual dinner will be held for our members and staff and for approximately 100 distinguished guests from the region.

This is to most cordially invite you to be our speaker for that occasion. While it is not essential, we would like to request your consideration of our publishing your speech immediately after the event.

In recent years speakers at our annual dinner have been Mr. Roy Wilkins, Governor LeRoy Collins, Dr. C. Vann Woodward, and last year Dr. Kenneth Clark of New York. A copy of Dr. Clark's speech is also enclosed.

I have been told that it is very likely you will be in this country at that time and, therefore, we hope you will be able to be with us.

As you may recall from your research in this region, the Southern Regional Council was formed in 1944 as an outgrowth of the Commission on Interracial Cooperation. The Council is composed of 100 distinguished Southerners. A list of our members is enclosed. A staff of approximately 40 persons carries out the organization's programs in race relations and regional development.

I very much hope that you will find it possible to accept this invitation, and I and the members of the Council are most grateful for your consideration of it.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

March 20, 1968

Mr. Marion A. Wright
Top Knot
Linville Falls, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wright:

A reservation has been made for you at the Sheraton-Biltmore for the night of Friday, April 5.

Looking forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

Mildred Johnson

mmj

Same ltr
to all board
members who need
new data on file

March 20, 1968

Mrs. Helen Mervis
1422 Valence Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70115

Dear Mrs. Mervis:

We are up-dating the biographical data we have in our files on SRC board members. At your convenience, we would appreciate your sending us an up-to-date biographical record for our files.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

(Mrs.) Katharine Martin
Secretary

km

March 20, 1968

Attorney Leroy Johnson
1014 Gordon Street, SW
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Senator Johnson:

Many thanks for your prompt response to my letter and questionaire.

I will come by your office on Wednesday, March 27th, at 4:00 PM with a tape recorder.

As I believed I mentioned earlier, I am interested in your first campaign primarily.

Thank you again for answering so quickly.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

March 20, 1968

Z. Alexander Looby
327 Charlotte Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Attorney Looby:

Many thanks for your prompt answer to my letter and questionaire.

I would like to call you during the week of March 24 and will try not to keep you too long when I do call.

I am particularly interested in your first campaign, in learning how you campaigned, what particular techniques you used, so that a reader of the finished work will have a clearer idea of the "how" of elective politics.

Thank you again for your quickness in answering.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

3/20/68

Felton J. Capel
1009 West New Hampshire Avenue
Southern Pines, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Capel:

Many thanks for your prompt and detailed answers to my questions.

I will try to call you at 11:00 A. M. on Tuesday, March 26.

Thank you again for answering so quickly.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

March 20, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel Jr.
Director, Louisiana Voter
Education Project
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Enclosed, as requested, is a copy of Louis Berry's letter to Gov. McKeithen. Also enclosed is a copy of the resolution. Now: How about getting with Mr. Berry if any news release is desired regarding the resolution. I think it would look better, anyway, if the release were sent out by Louisiana VEP. Keep in touch.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall

March 20, 1968

Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Mr. Coleman:

Many thanks for your prompt and detailed answer to my letter.

It would be helpful if you could tape your own interview, but not at all necessary.

On a separate sheet I am enclosing a list of questions I will be asking all of the candidates we have selected.

If you have the time to conduct an interview with yourself, it would be appreciated. Or we could continue with the original plan, and try to conduct the interview by telephone or in person.

At any event, I enclose the questions for your consideration and will await an answer rom you. Incidentially, you can call me collect at: (404) 524-0080 during the work day.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

QUESTIONS FOR NEGRO CANDIDATES

1. What was the Negro-white population ratio, the Negro-white registration ratio, and the vote total in your campaign? Was your opponent white? Negro? More than 1?

2. What motivated you to run for office? Did you expect to win? Did any Negroes oppose your candidacy? Why?

3. How did you raise campaign funds? From the community? From others?

3. Did any white people assist you actively, financially, behind the scenes?

4. Can you describe your campaign organization? Did you have any paid workers? How many volunteers? What sort of campaign materials did you use? Did your party help you physically or financially? Was a party label (or lack of it) beneficial?

5. Did you make any mistakes in campaigning or organizing? Would you do anything differently?

6. Why did you win/lose?

7. Did you have more or less money than your opponent? Did he spend campaign funds differently? Did he camcampaign differently? Did you or your opponent use newspaper advertising, radio, television, billboards, posters or what?

8. What was the immediate effect of your campaign? The long range effect? Did it increase registration? Did it encourage or discourage future Negro candidates? Has the Negro community been united or divided because of your race?

9. What advice would you give to other Negro candidates?

The questions are intended as a loose guide. We are interested in the techniques rather than the politics of each candidate.

March 20, 1968

North Carolina Voter
Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear John and Bill:

Many thanks for the clipping on Cumberland County. Please read over the enclosed rewrite and let me know as soon as possible if it's okay to run in the newsletter as is, or whether there have been some recent developments, etc. Also please let me know if there's any other North Carolina news that ought to be in the next issue.

Also, I remember talking to John about the telegram and would like to have a copy of the text.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall

March 20, 1968

Mrs. Athalie Range
1631 N. W. 57th Street
Miami, Florida

Dear Mrs. Range:

Many thanks for your prompt reply to my letter and questions.

I notice you left the date blank in the questionnaire about the proposed interview. Would April 12th fit into your schedule?

Additionally, I wonder if you can help me with another problem. I have tried to select winning and losing candidates in each of the Southern states, and have tried to arrange a balance between urban and rural races and political parties.

In Florida, however, the three I've chosen were all successful and all three are urban.

Can you recomend any Negroes outside Miami, Jacksonville and Riviera Beach who are Republicans, Independents or Democrats and who did not win the positions they were seeking?

I am enclosing a list of the sorts of questions I want to ask you. I'm using a tape recorder because I want each candidate's story told in his own words, and not in the words of an interviewer who is likely to add his own biases or interpetations.

Thank you again for your promptness.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

MEMORANDUM

March 21, 1968

TO: Members of the Board of Directors, Tennessee Council on Human Relations

FROM: Ed Stanfield, Director of Field Activities, Southern Regional Council

Herewith is a copy of the SRC's special report on the Memphis sanitation workers' strike, which has gained phenomenal support from Memphis Negroes. We are sending it because we know that you will have a great interest in the situation there.

As you will discern on reading the report, the executive director of the Tennessee Council, Baxton Bryant, has been on the scene almost constantly since the strike began and has been playing a vital and constructive role. Without his unstinting assistance, the report itself would have been immeasurably more difficult to prepare, if not impossible.

I am sure you will also be pleased to note that The Reverend James Lawson, president of the Memphis chapter, is a central figure in developments in Memphis. We have also noted the important role of Dan Powell. Dave Caywood and others not mentioned have been constantly working behind the scenes.

We appreciate, and hope you take pride in, one of the creative forces at work in what the New York *Times* has described as "the current major civil rights confrontation in the nation."

March 21, 1968

Mr. Mario G. Obledo
State Director
League of United Latin American Citizens
Post Office Box 12074
Capitol Station
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Mr. Obledo:

Many thanks for your letter of March 20. Our meeting was a pleasure fo me, also, and I want to assure you that we are very much interested in his activities of LULAC.

Thank you, too, for the invitation to attend the LULAC State Convention in Galveston. I have marked these dates in my calendar and will attend if at all possible. Unfortunately, I cannot say definitely that I will attend, for my schedule for May is subject to certain contingencies.

Your letter reminds me that I promised to send you a list of the categories in which modest assistance is available from the Southern Regional Council. Enclosed is a mimeographed piece titled "Program Assistance Available to Councils on Human Relations." This assistance is not limited to councils on human relations, however.

Again, thank you for writing. I look forward to seeing you again.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities'

JES/cl

March 21, 1968

Mr. Frank Adams
Executive Director
Virginia Council on Human Relations
17 East Cary Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Frank:

Under separate cover, we are sending three copies of the proposal from the Law Students for Civil Rights Research Council, as requested in your letter of March 18.

I trust that your conversatinn with Dick Huffman today took care of the other matters raised in your letter.

Sorry I missed traveling with you and signing autographs, but I was in Memphis for a piece of the action. Will look forward to May -- if, indeed, there will be May this year.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

March 21, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
306 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Ken:

Thanks for your letter concerning a law student intern.

I have given a copy of it to Mr. Richard Huffman, Emory Law School, Atlanta, Georgia. He is the Southern Coordinator for the Law Students for Civil Rights Research Council, and I believe he will be in touch with you.

Should you wish to call him, his telephone number is 377-2185.

I hope it works out.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

March 21, 1968

Clarence Townes
Republican National Committee
1625 Eye Street NW
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Townes:

I am engaged in some research for the Voter Education Project.

I have selected 50-odd Negro candidates from the Southern states and hope to interview each one. Their interviews will be published in booklet form as a "How TO Do It" manual for future Negro candidates.

My present list of 50 is over-heavy with Democratic urban candidates.

I wonder whether your office could supply me with a list of names and addresses of Republican or Independent, rural or urban, winning or losing Negro candidates whose races were held in the past 5 years.

If you can be of some assistance, it would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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68-39

March 21, 1968

Mr. William Roy Holloman
Chairman
Hertford County, VEP
1201 C. C. Road
Ahoskie, North Carolina 27910

Dear Mr. Holloman:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Hertford County VEP for a grant to conduct voter registration and citizenship education in Hertford County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,350.00 for a five week program to run from March 25 to May 3, 1968.

The amount granted has been limited to five weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The grant is to cover the following.

a)	Director's Expenses (@ $35.00 per week)	$ 175.00
b)	Secretary (@ $30.00 per week)	150.00
c)	Task Force Workers (10) @ $10.00 per week)	500.00
d)	Transportation	300.00
e)	Office Supplies	50.00

f) Printing and Postage	$ 50.00
g) Student Program	125.00
Total	$1,350.00

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To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

cc: Messrs. George H. Esser, Jr.
John Edwards

March 21, 1968

Mr. Ben Grinage
Arkansas VEP
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Ben:

Please take a look at the enclosed rewrite and see if it looks okay. Any other news from Arkansas that ought to be included? Please let me know right away. Say hello to Carole for us. Elijah also.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall

VEP-68-
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March 21, 1968

The Reverend Jeremiah Webb
Halifax County Voters' Movement
307 Holmes Place
Weldon, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Webb:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Halifax County Voters' Movement for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Weldon, Halifax County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of five weeks to run from March 25 to May 3, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to five weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's Expense @ $40.00 per week	$ 200.00
b)	(4) Task Force Workers (@$ 15.00 each per week)	300.00
c)	Transportation	300.00
d)	Printing and Postage	50.00
e)	Student Program	150.00
	Total	$ 1,000.00

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Voter Education Project

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John Edwards

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March 21, 1968

Mr. Harding D. Huff
Northhampton County
Voter's Movement
Star Route
Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Huff:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Northhampton County Voters' Movement for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Northhampton County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $ 1,450.00 for a period of five weeks to run from March 25 to May 3, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to five weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's Expense @$ 40.00 per week	$ 200.00
b)	Secretary @ $30.00 per week	150.00
c)	Transportation	200.00
d)	(12) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)	900.00
	Total	$ 1,450.00

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures

cc: Messrs. George Esser, Jr.
John Edwards

March 21, 1968

Attorney C. B. King
Box 1024
Albany, Georgia

Dear Attorney King:

Your secretary told me today you had not received the letter and forms mailed from this office last week.

I am enclosing the two forms and a stamped, return envelope.

I am engaged in some research for the Voter Education Project, surveying some 50 Negro political candidates from across the South, and your congressional race was one we wanted to include.

I hope your busy schedule will permit you to participate in what I hope will be a helpful and much needed educative process for future Negro candidates.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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envelope

VEP-68-40

March 21, 1968

Mrs. Alice Ballance
Bertie County Voters' Education Project
Route 4, Box 222-B
Windsor, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Ballance:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Bertie County Voters' Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Bertia County, North Carolina. This is to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,150.00 for a period of five weeks to run from March 25 to May 3, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to five weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's Expenses @ $ 30.00 per week	$ 150.00
b)	(10) Task Force Workers @ $10 per week	500.00
c)	Transportation	450.00
d)	Printing and Postage	50.00
	Total	$ 1,150.00

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Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures

cc: Messrs. George Esser, Jr.
John Edwards

March 21, 1968

George Booker
Democratic National Committee
2600 Virginia Avenue, NW
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Booker:

As I mentioned in our telephone conversation today, I am engaged in surveying 50-odd Negro political candidacies from each of the Southern states.

My selections have largely been urban Democrats who won their contests. I wonder whether your office could supply me with names and addresses of successful or unsuccessful Negro Republicans or Independents in the rural South.

When completed, we hope this booklet will serve as an effective "HOW TO DO IT" manual for future Negro candidates.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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Voter Education Project

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John Edwards

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March 21, 1968

Mr. William Roy Holloman

Chairman
Hertford County, VEP
1201 C. C. Road
Ahoskie, North Carolina 27910

Dear Mr. Holloman:

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures

cc: Messrs. George H. Esser, Jr.
John Edwards

March 22, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. William H. Samuel Jr.
Director, Louisiana Voter
Education Project
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Enclosed is a draft of the news release. Please look it over carefully and call me as early as possible Monday to let me know if any changes are necessary. Please check carefully for accuracy, particularly in the spelling of all names.

The pictures arrived in good shape. One more request: Is there such a thing as a media directory for Louisiana, listing names and addresses of all newspapers, radio stations and television stations? John Edwards came up with one for North Carolina and it was quite helpful. Of course, we can get a fairly good list from Editor & Publisher Yearbook. But if you have such a media directory for Louisiana, please air mail it to us. Since we have come this far without publicity, perhaps we will make next Sunday the release date.

I tried to get you by phone Friday, but your number was out of order. I finally had the operator check it after getting a dozen or so busy signals.

As I say, please call me collect as soon as you have had time to read over the draft.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall

VEP-68-37

March 22, 1968

Mr. Richard C. Hoffman
4465 Moreland Avenue, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Emory-LSCRRC Conference on Civil Rights in Urban Areas, March 22-24, 1968, Atlanta, Georgia. This is to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $500.00. Please sign and return the enclosed carbon receipt at your earliest convenience.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding special reporting requirements to the Project.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

March 22, 1968

Clinton Warner, M. D.
319 West Lake Avenue, N. W
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Clint:

This is to confirm, per our telephone conversation a few days ago, my acceptance of your kind invitation to address the "kick-off" dinner for the membership campaign for the Atlanta Branch, NAACP on April 4 at the Phyllis Wheatley YWCA at 8:00 p. m.

Please know that I am delighted to have been asked and will do my best.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

March 22, 1968

Mr. James V. Cunningham
Lecturer in Urban Organizing
University of Pittsburgh
502 Bruce Hall
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15213

Dear Jim:

Thanks so much for the invitation to the University of Pittsburgh. I had a great time and was inspired by it all.

My travel expenses were as follows:

Air travel (round trip Atlanta to Pittsburgh)	$ 94.50
Taxi fare (round trip home to airport) Atlanta	12.00
Limousine to Pittsburgh airport	2.50
Total	$ 109.00

I received the clipping from the Pittsburgh Press this morning, thanks much. We are planning to write a letter to the editors of both papers in Pittsburgh documenting the fact that George Wallace is wrong about the Negro vote in Alabama in the governor's race in 1966. If you have any suggestions as to where else we might send this letter, please let us know.

My regards to your colleagues and assure them that I had a delightful time in Pittsburgh.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

bc: Miss Thelma Wyatt

March 22, 1968

Miss Marian Wright
600 "G" Street, S. E.
Apartment No. 100
Washington, D. C.

Dear Marian:

Enclosed herewith is a biographical sketch on Miss Thelma L. Wyatt. The sketch itself, while very good, does not and cannot reveal the personal qualities that I think Miss Wyatt has for the task that you have in mind. What she needs, it seems to me, is a more exciting forum in which to express her capabilities.

Secondly, it was clear that Miss Wyatt can join your team only on a paid basis, as you con- her please keep this in mind.

As I think about others, I will forward them on to you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

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March 22, 1968

Mr. Nils R. Douglas
President
Louisiana Voter Education Project
1110 Medallion Tower
344 Camp Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Douglas:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Louisiana Voter Education Project for a grant to establish a statewide Countil to coordinate programs of voter registration, citizenship education and leadership training, in the State of Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $13,000.00, for a period of one year, effective at such time that the Louisiana Voter Education Project has complied with the procedures outlined herein.

The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's Salary (benefits: Social Security) (*life, health and travel insurance)	$ 7,500.00
b)	Secretary -- $ 50.00 per week (benefits: Social Security) $109.00	2,600.00
c)	Administrative Costs (To include travel, office rent, telephone, equipment and supplies)	2,791.00
	Total	$ 13,000.00

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Voter Education Project

cc: Mrs. William Samuel
Dr. Jewel Prestage

Same letter to
Senator Joe Bernal
San Antonio.

March 22, 1968

Dr. George Sanchez
Univessity of Texas
Austin, Texas

Dear Dr. Sanchez:

The attached report was recently published by the Southern Regional Council. It has been suggested that a similar study might be done on Mexican-American youth in San Antonio. We are most enthusiastic about undertaking such an endeavor. We are unable to budget a great deal of money for a research project of this type, but we feel that, with a judicious use of consultants in Texas and with some institutional cooperation in the area of data processing, we can produce a creditable and highly useful report which will make a significant contribution to the focusing of national attention on the plight of Mexican-Americans in the United States.

While our final decision on this project awaits our assessment of the full extent of potential local cooperation, we are anxious to have your views on the feasibility and desirability of an effort of this nature. Any observations or suggestions you may care to communicate to us would be most helpful.

Father Henry Casso, who first suggested the possibility of conducting this study, has indicated his willingness to cooperate. No doubt, he will soon be in contact with you.

Sincerely yours,

William Farmar, Assistant Director
Project on Crime and Corrections

BW/vmb

March 22, 1968

Mr. Mark T. Carleton
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

Dear Mr. Carleton:

I was most happy to receive your letter. Other responses to the enclosed report have been less cordial, as you might have guessed.

Thank you very much for the copy of your article on the lease system. Recent secondary sources in this area seem rather scarce. If you ever have time, I would appreciate your sharing with me the fruits of your review of the literature.

"Delta Prisons" was, of course, intended more to cause some ferment than to be a contribution to our general body of knowledge on the subject. As a result, the report is open to all of the criticisms usually heaped upon efforts.

General Wade's objections as expressed to me on the phone, were based not on a reading of the report, but on an Associated Press dispatch. His first objection was that I had not visited the state's penal institutions. I pointed out to him that the small section devoted to Louisiana was based entirely on official statements or press reports. Furthermore, I advised that in the last year I had written to the Department of Institutions on two separate ocassions asking permission to visit the state and that on both ocassions my letters went unanswered.

The AP dispatch quoted a sentence from page 20 of the report: "The three states put together could not, out of presently available funds and facilities, provide the components of one prison which would meet minimum national standards set forth by the American Correctional Association." The newspaper account failed to note that the discussion in the body of the report was limited to the plantation penentiaries in Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi, and was not intended as a critique of all of the penal, correctional, and training institutions in these states. Thus, General Wade was particular upset by the fact that we did not mention his first offenders institution at DeQuincy, maintaining with some justification that this institution more than met the standards of the ACA. Immediately after our telephone conversation, I mailed General Wade a copy of the report. While I am sure that a reading of its contents did not serve to calm him, it may have altered the focus of his objections. I have not heard from him again and your report that his comments on television were rather general suggests to me that my telephone conversation with him must have had some beneficial effects.

General Wade was kind enough to invite me to visit Louisiana. I intend to take him up on the offer in the near future. I hope that while I am in Louisiana, I may have an opportunity to talk with you. When dates have been set, I will be in touch with you again.

If any one here can be of any help to you with your dissatation, please feel free to call on us.

Sincerely yours,

William Farmar, Assistant Director
Project on Crime and Corrections

WF/vmb

March 22, 1968

E. Preston Sharp, Ph.D.
General Secretary
American Correctional Association
Shoreham Building
15th & "H" Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Ted:

Thank you for your letter concerning our special report on the Delta Prisons.

Nothing at all in the report should imply that General Wade is not committed to a program of improving Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola. Neither do we imply that the Governor is uncommitted to the General's program. We made it clear in the foreword that most correctional managers in the South have endeavored to do a good job with their meager resources, and this included General Wade.

What we stated in the report was simply, that a self-supporting prison system cannot support a rehabilitation program. This is certainly implicit in General Wade's request for $11,500,000 for additional staff, (which would enable him to move toward getting rid of the trusty system) and improved facilities.

Rehabilitation programs call for staff, equipment, and facilities. Doesn't it follow that the deficit that the self-support Louisiana system experienced this year indicates that such a system cannot support a minimum of rehabilitative services for its prisoners? In short, the plantation did not produce enough for operations, much less than a rehabilitation operation.

It is supportive of General Wade's program for an objective source to point out that efforts at reform in the state have come and gone, come and gone, come and gone. That the self-supporting system is a self-defeating system.

I refer to the Standard Act for State Correctional Services which ACA helped to prepare. It suggests that what is needed in Louisiana is a Department of Corrections, headed by a policy-making board which also chooses a Director who is appointed for merit and has tenure. A set-up like this would enable Louisiana to retain men of good will like General Wade, and others who have preceded him. You would be the first to acknowledge that a system whereby the chief administrator serves at the pleasure of the Governor has proven to be no safe-guard against political interference, a major cause of failure to improve penal administration. Governor McKeithen will not serve forever -- one wonders what will happen when his administration changes.

We believe the report to be helpful to any individual or office who would pursue prison reform. We trust that the many audiences that it opens to General Wade will be approached by him in a positive manner and result in a better understanding of the problems that confront his office.

We will take advantage of an opportunity to visit him in the near future. Bill Farmar will write to you about the underlying meaning of our report.

Incidentally, we received both positive and negative responses to the report, as usual, after one of our critical evaluations. Attached is one that is more positive.

Thanks again for your concern.

Sincerely yours,

John O. Boone, Director
Project on Crime and Corrections

JOB/vmb

March 22, 1968

Mr. H. Stephen Whitaker
Assistant Professor
and
Mr. Harry A. Bailey, Jr.
Assistant Professor
Temple University
Department of Political Science
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19122

Dear Sirs:

Thank you so much for letting us read your manuscript on voting in Mississippi. There is a great deal of good stuff here and yet it seems to us more suitable in tone for a more specialized journal than NEW SOUTH.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

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Two copies of manuscript: NEGRO REGISTRATION AND VOTING IN MISSISSIPPI, 1817-1967

March 25, 1968

Mr. Al Clayton
IDG, Inc.
460 Tenth Circle, No.
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Al:

Have fun with the attached.

Bob sent me a copy of his manuscript; it is a beautiful thing.

Let us hear from you. When will the Look piece be? New South is next week. How many you want?

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encls.

March 25, 1968

Lt. David Wade, Director
Department of Institutions
American Bank Building
North Foster Drive & Florida Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806

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Dear Lt. Wade:

Attached is a copy of my reply to a letter I received from Dr. Preston Sharp of the ACA, who was concerned that our report on the Delta Prisons were not up-to-date. Also, my Assistant, Bill Farmar, gave me an account of his telephone conversation with you and the invitation to visit the Louisiana State Prison System.

Also, enclosed is an editorial reference to the report which is complimentary of your efforts. We are gratified that the report is resulting in some support for your program.

We had already made some plans to arrange an audiance with you and the Governor to see if you would support our efforts to initiate the development of an Interstate Compact on Corrections in the South. We would appreciate if if you would arrange for us to consult with you and the Governor in the near future. At the same time we would be gratified to take advantage of an opportunity to visit your system.

Sincerely yours,

John O.Boone, Director
Project on Crime & Corrections

JOB/vmb

Enclosures:

March 25, 1968

Dr. Robert Coles
Harvard University
Health Services
75 Mt. Auburn Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Bob:

I pass the attached on without comment.

I got the manuscript and have read enough to say that it more than confirms my high expectations and your position. It is art.

I finally pried loose the Good proof and am sending it separately. There is no conflict that I can see, nor room for invidious comparison. They do different things.

Damn it, your good writing has had that awful double-whammy effect on me of firing me up to get on with my book, and at the same time making me look at what I've done so far all anew, harshly unhappy with it.

God rest you.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js
Encls.

March 25, 1968

Mr. C. Ray Dobbins, Editor
The Cumberland Presbyterian
Post Office Box 4149
Memphis, Tennessee 38104

Dear Mr. Dobbins:

Thank you four letter of March 21 pointing out what seems to you to be an error of omission in our special report on the sanitation strike there. I sincerely hope that it is not your final evaluation that "the fact that (I) do not even mention the many movements and organizations and groups working many hours in this situation is unforgivable in an objective report."

First, you point out that church leaders have been working "quietly." That is true, and surely you do not expect an objective reporter to be aware of all of these "quiet" workings. The situation in Memphis is a public controversy, and I hope I can be forgiven for mostly reporting public activity.

Second, you suggest that I "chose to ignore" the series of meetings sponsored by a committee of the Memphis Ministers' Association at which representatives of the mayor and the union discussed the issues. This is mentioned on page four. My information was that this committee was mainly, if not entirely, composed of Negro ministers. If that is in error, it is certainly regrettable, but seems to me not open to the charge of bad faith or lack of intention to report the facts, including constructive efforts.

Third, you point out that "Catholic groups have been holding meetings." I reported on page 41 that the Catholic Council on Human Relations passed a resolution supporting the strikers.

Fourth, you point out that "groups from Southwestern and Memphis State have been involved." On page 14, it is mentioned that white students from those schools were involved in a typical march.

Fifth, it is reported on pages 40 and 41 that the Reverend John W. Aldridge, assistant minister at Idlewilde Presbyterian Church, read a resolution of support from the social concerns committee of the Presbytery of Memphis at a mass meeting. During the three mass meetings which I attended, along with three rally's of strikers and three of the daily marches and a hearing of the city council, during my first visit (February 26 through 29) he was the only person, other than Malcolm Blackburn to be identified to the strikers in open meeting as a supporting white churchman. As a Cumberland Presbyterian, you know that the committee of Presbytery does not necessarily represent the Presbytery. In fact, it was reported to me on a subsequent visit that Mr. Aldridge has been rebuked by his Session and that there is a move to have his action disapproved in some manner by the presbytery. (If you would care to check into that report, I would appreciate having any exact information your investigation might discover.)

Sixth, I did report, on page 40, that the Memphis Ministerial Alliance sought contributions for an ad headed "An Appeal to Conscience." That seems to me to be objective, as is the report as to what some Memphis Negroes thought about it.

Therefore, I can only plead that I am not guilty of your charge that I "do not even mention the many movements and organizations and groups working many hours in this situation." I mention many of them, in fact. Surely I cannot be blamed for not knowing absolutely everything being done by church folks in Memphis.

When we come to evaluation of this activity as to its appropriateness and effectiveness, we may differ, but I doubt that we do, in reality. In paragraph three of your letter you say, "I quite agree that all of these institutions have been unable to resolve this problem up to this point." In paragraph four you say, "I fully agree that the white churches have been terribly weak." In paragraph seven you write, "I would grant you, this has not been near enough." In view of these reassurances, I just wonder why you take exception specifically to the report's concluding:

> Failure was on prominent display in Memphis. The city government, the press, the business community, the white church, all the institutions, seemed for the first month simply incapable of coping with what was at once a fairly clear-cut demand, and also a highly dangerous situation....

For myself, I believe I shall stand by that conclusion,--with a heavy heart, I assure you.

We appreciate your thinking of us as a reputable organization, as well as your taking the time and trouble to write when you feel that we are going astray.

Let's be friends.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

March 25, 1968

Mr. John Haley
720 West Third
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. Haley:

I wish to take this opportunity to express my personal appreciation for your abiding concern for the welfare of prisoners of your state and to assure you that we have the desire for all of our programs to be as positively related to prison reform as possible.

Rev. Eugene Efird and, I believe, Mr. Jim Youngdahl, who is a board member of our Council, revealed that you might be concerned that the advances that have been made in Arkansas prison system was not given appropriate focus in our report. It is acknowledged that newspaper accounts of reports of this nature sometimes don't give the kind of comprehensive coverage that would seem fair to all interested groups.

Enclosed is a copy of the report. You will observe that beginning at the bottom of page 17, we endeavored to give an accurate account of the current situation, including the reforms.

I shall be very pleased to meet you some day and express my gratitude for your on-going sensitivity to the problems the men face in prison.

Sincerely yours,

John O. Boone, Director
Project on Crime and Corrections

JOB/vmb

March 25, 1968

E. Preston Sharp, Ph.D.
General Secretary
American Correctional Association
Shoreham Building
15th & "H" Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Dr. Sharp:

John Boone showed me your letter in reference to the Louisiana portion of our Delta Prisons Report.

For the sake of discussion, I assume that your reservations about the report are based on its tone rather than on the accuracy of the facts cited. If your recent visit to Louisiana convinces you that the reports' statements about conditions at Angola were less than accurate, I would appreciate being corrected.

As to the general value of the report, it seems to me that it has served its purpose well. The report received considerable and, I thought, constructive play in the press, e.g., see attached editorial. The central purpose of the report was to contribute to the creation of a public ferment for major reform. This task, I think, is accomplished.

Public action seems particularly important since there is some doubt that the sincerity of General Wade and Governor McKeithen will be relevant when the Louisiana legislature meets later in the year. A careful reading of the Louisiana press fails to reveal, to me at least, any wide-spread sentiment among the legislators for a reform program, especially as such a program would involve public expenditures of no mean size. Thus, serious press and public discussion may well be an important tool in the reform effort.

No doubt, ACA, with its growing interest in professionalization of the correctional field, laments in principle, the political appointment of a retired SAC General as Director of Institutions. We have no personal quarrel with General Wade. His appointment, given the system, was a good one. But we held in the report, and continue to hold, that the system itself is inherently unreformable and that, given the good intentions of the Governor and the General, sustained meaningful reform is impossible without the repudiation of the basic premises upon which the penal system of Louisiana has rested for a century.

Naturally, when we visit Louisiana we will give your suggestions the serious consideration they deserve.

Sincerely yours,

William Farmar
Assistant Director
Project on Crime & Corrections

WF/vmb

March 25, 1968

Mr. Leonard D. Schramm
President's Committee on Equal
Opportunity in Housing
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Schramm:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 14th, with the enclosures.

In as much as it will probably be some days before the Program Committee digs in, I have made copies of the Pittsburgh and Baltimore Programs and am returning them herewith.

Hoping to see you again, I am

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Project on Urban Planning

MGS/vmb

Enclosures:

March 25, 1968

Dr. Ralph M. Tindall
Depattment of Psychology
University of South Carolina
Columbia, South Carolina 29208

Dear Dr. Tindall:

Enclosed is a brochure concerning the purposes and work of the Southern Regional Council as requested by Mrs. T. J. Ledeen.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Carolyn Lockhart
Secretary to the Director
Field Activities

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Enclosure

March 25, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. J. R. Rutter
3512 Plumwood Road
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Rutter:

We have no biographical material on Kenneth Dean, and since he is sort of a legend in his own time, I am not sure I can sort fact from fancy about him.

By means of a carbon copy of this letter, I shall suggest that he send you the needed material.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

cc: Kenneth L. Dean

March 25, 1968

Mr. Norman Pearlstine
The Wall Street Journal
1223 Regal Road
Dallas, Texas 75220

Dear Mr. Pearlstine:

At the request of Mr. Baxton Bryant, we are sending the enclosed copy of our special report on the Memphis sanitation strike.

Let me take this opportunity to congratulate you on the excellent article you wrote for the *Journal*.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enclosure: IN MEMPHIS: MORE THAN A GARBAGE STRIKE

March 25, 1968

Mr. Ben Hartley, Edibor
THE PRESBYTERIAN SURVEY
341 Ponce de Leon Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Ben:

I say Zeke Bell in Memphis Friday night, the night of the big snow. Sorry I missed you.

He said you were planning an article on the sanitation strike, and I thought the enclosed report might be helpful bo you.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enclosure: IN MEMPHIS: MORE THAN A BARBAGE STRIKE

March 25, 1968

The Honorable Robert E. Anderson
House of Representatives
House Office Building
Jackson, Mississippi

My dear Mr. Anderson:

Thank you for your letter of March 21. Please know that we will be more than happy to cooperate with you and your committee in any way possible.

We would also like to point out that our report and our interest are in seeing the creation of more effective prison systems throughout the region. Our report was issued in this spirit; not simply as criticism. It was issued in support of the large number of prison administrators and public officials who are concerned with -- and in many instances fighting an up-hill battle for -- better prison systems in their several states.

The comments in our special report on the Mississippi Prison System reflects, in general, the information we have, and if your Committee has just completed a thorough investigation of the prison system of your state, it is doubtful that we can add any further information. However, our report and interest in this subject is the staff responsibility of Mr. John O. Boone, director of our Project on Crime and Corrections. Before coming with the Council Mr. Boone was employed for 14 years with the Federal Bureau of Prisons and is generally regarded as an authority on prison administration and reform. Should you wish, Mr. Boone will be more than happy to meet with you and your committee at your convenience to discuss the current situation and those policies and programs which are desirable in any effective prison system.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

March 25, 1968

Mr. Robert V. Scott
President
Student Government Association
South Carolina State College
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115

Dear Mr. Scott:

It has recently come to our attention that not many people on the South Carolina State College campus have read our special report called Events at Orangeburg. Because the report concerns itself with events on the State College campus, we would like for students to have an opportunity to read it.

Toward this end, we are sending you, free of charge, 100 copies of the report for distribution on the campus. We hope you are able to make these copies available to interested members of the student body.

Yours in the Struggle,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 25, 1968

Mrs. Joan B. Robertson
2020 Alabama Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

Dear Joan:

Forgive me for taking so long before writing, but I've been out of the office ever since I was in Louisiana. I trust that all is going well at Capitol High.

I would certainly give very strong consideration to any request to speak at Capitol and I do hope that when you reach a definite decision on this, you'll let me know.

Finally, I enjoyed meeting you and your colleague (whose name escapes me) and I hope I'll be hearing from you in the very near future.

You

Yours cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

P.S. Enclosed is a copy of the Orangeburg report that I spoke to you about.

March 25, 1968

Miss Shirley Anne Hugee
Dunton Hall
Clafin University
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115

Dear Miss Hugee:

Thank you for your letter requesting a copy of Events at Orangeburg. We are happy to hear that you find the report worthy of further distribution.

Toward this end, we are sending you, under separate cover, 100 copies of the report for dissemination on the Claflin campus. Please do not charge anyont for this report as it is being given to you at no cost.

Sincerely yours,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

March 25, 1968

Mr. Chris White
Roosevelt Hotel
123 Baronne Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. White:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $2,387.59 to cover expenses of $2,887.59 incurred by the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council. This amount represents deduction of our $500.00 deposit for which we were not credited on the final bill you sent us.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

March 25, 1968

The Reverend Clifton Whitley
Mary Holmes Junior College
West Point, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Whitley:

I have undertaken an assignment for the Voter Education Project to prepare a "How To Do It" booklet which we hope will make political action easier for Southern Negroes.

The booklet will contain a series of interviews with Negroes who have run for office in all of the states of the South. Some of theinterviews will be with successful candidates, and some will be with those who ran and lost.

We would like to arrange an interview with you, either in person or by telephone. In both cases, we would like to use a tape recorder so that the story of your campaign is told in your words. You will have an opportunity to make corrections in your interview after we have transcribed it from the tape.

If you can be contacted by telephone and will have an undisturbed hour or more to talk with me during the next weeks, please let me know by return mail. If you would rather be interviewed in person, please indicate what days and what time would suit your schedule best.

We have provided two forms and a self-addressed stamped envelope for your convenience, and hope you will be willing to share your experience with us so we may make it available to others. Learning from your successful techniques or from any mistakes you may have made will make running for office easier for the next person.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project'

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March 25, 1968

The Reverend L. L. Anderson
817 First Avenue
Selma, Alabama

Dear Mr. Anderson:

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Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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March 25, 1968

Mrs. Fannie Lou Hamer
626 East Lafayette Street
Ruleville, Mississippi 38771

Dear Mrs. Hamer:

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Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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March 25, 1968

Dr. Charles H. Thomas, Jr.
Orangeburg Voter Education Project
Post Office Box 1778
South Carolina State College
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115

Dear Dr. Thomas:

Pursuant to your request, I am happy to inform you that we are making a supplementary grant in the amount of $825.00 to cover the period from March 15 to June 1, 1968.

The amount granted is to cover the salary of Mr. Emerson Brown at the rate of $75.00 per week.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

cc: James Felder

March 25, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
306 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Dean:

Many thanks for your prompt reply to my letter. I will add the Reverend Whitley to my list for Mississippi.

Thank you additionally for whatever material you are able to send.

So far I've heard only from James Jolliff but hope the other Mississippians who were selected for the project will be responding shortly.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

March 25, 1968

The Honorable Barbara Jordan
4910 Campbell Street
Houston, Texas

Dear Senator Jordan:

Thank you very much for your prompt response to my letter and questionnaire.

The April 9 date you mentioned for the telephone interview will suit my schedule and I hope I won't keep you too long.

I'm enclosing a list of the sorts of questions I'm interested in asking.

What I hope to get from each of the subjects is a narrative, in their words, that explains the whys and hows of their elections. I hope the finished product can serve as a "How To Do It" booklet for future Negro candidacies.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

March 25, 1968

Dr. William P. Robinson
958 Anna Street
Norfold, Virginia

Dear Dr. Robinson:

As I mentioned in our telephone conversation, I am enclosing a list of the sorts of questions I am interested in.

What I hope to get in each case is a narrative from the candidates, rather than "yes" and "no" answers to these questions.

As I mentioned earlier, I hope to have each interview transcribed and sent back to each interviewee for his editing.

I will call you on April 9 at 10:00 a.m.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Associate Director
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj
Enclosure

March 25, 1968

Mr. St. Julian Frank Devine
68 Cooper Street
Charleston, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Devine:

Thank you for responding so promptly to my questionnaire.

On the evening of the date you mentioned, I must be in Nashville, Tennessee. Could another date be set that would fit your schedule?

I will be away from Atlanta all of the week of April 1 through April 6 and must be in Atlanta from April 7 through April 9.

I will be away again April 10 and 11, in Atlanta on the 12th, and away again on the 13th.

My trip on the 13th may take me to Norfolk, Virginia. Perhaps I could come through Charleston on the way back to Atlanta, or perhaps we could arrange a telephone interview on some other date.

I am entirely open to your suggestions, although I realize that my schedule may make it difficult for you to free some time from your busy schedule.

Could I ask you to call me at (404) 524-0080, collect?

I hope I am not inconveniencing you in any way.

I am enclosing a list of the sorts of questions I will want to ask you. I want your sotry told in your words, and not interpreted through me.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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March 25, 1968

Mr. M. W. Thornhill, Jr.
President
Lynchburg Voters League
525 Smyth Street
Lynchburg, Virginia

Dear Mr. Thornhill:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Lynchburg Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Lynchburg, Virginia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of five weeks to run from April 1 to May 6, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to five weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 200.00
Seven (7) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	525.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Secretary	@ $30.00 per week	150.00
Transportation		350.00
Supplies		50.00
Telephone		75.00
Office Rent		$ 75.00
		1,500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slips will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

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March 25, 1968

Mrs. Agnes Sherman
Chairman
Beaufort County Voter Registration Committee
P. O. Box 38
Frogmore, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Sherman:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Beaufort County Voter Registration Committee for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Beaufort County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weekssto run from April 1 to May 27, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		310.00
Printing and Postage		70.00
Telephone		75.00
Rent		80.00
Office Supplies		45.00
		$ 1,500.00

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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March 26, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to Wilcox County, Alabama

FIELD REPORT # 13

On Saturday, March 9, I attended the third annual meeting of the Freedom Quilting Bee at the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Gees Bend, Alabama. The meeting was well attended, drawing people from all over Wilcox County and neighboring Dallas County. It was also impressive to see and hear a group of about 70 ladies talk about freedom in terms of a cooperative. They "had" it.

My purpose for going to the meeting was to explain our grant-making process to the members of the Quilting Bee with hopes that they would use their resources to launch some type of voter education program. Their reaction was good. They all expressed an interest in doing something like voter registration "because God knows, our people need to reddish." They all felt enthusiastic about a voter registration program and agreed that Mrs. Witherspoon and Miss McMillan should submit a proposal for them.

It is unlikely that we will receive a proposal from Wilcox

County before the May 7 primary since the registration deadline is just a month away. But there are good possibilities for registration during the months of June through October. Certainly we should do something there if we receive a proposal from them.

Interestingly, there was a number of persons from other organizations present at the meeting. Fr. John McKnight and John Zippert of the Southern Consumers' Cooperatives, Charles Prejean of the Federation of Southern Cooperatives, and Ezra Cunningham of SCLC's Poor Peoples Campaign. I think they were all favorably impressed by the quality of the work being done by the ladies and their very obvious interest in pursuing other programs for the betterment of their respective communities.

At least, it was noteworthy that all of these individuals were at the meeting. No doubt they were thinking of sending the foundations a new batch of proposals.

I enjoyed attending this meeting. I think it was good for me to go out in the sticks of Wilcox County. Many people there had never heard of VEP and they were glad that someone from Atlanta had come to explain and not to exhort. At least I left them feeling that they were the ones to decide on a course of action for their county. No one was pressuring them to engage in a tedious campaign. And I think they appreciated that.

FIELD REPORT # 13 - 3.

No lie is strong enough to kill

The roots that work below;

From your rich dust and slaughtered will

A tree with tongues will grow.

---Countee Cullen

UEP-68-44

March 26, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
North Carolina Voter
Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Mr. Towe:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Edgecome County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Edgecome County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $760.00 for a period of four weeks to run from March 25 to April 19, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to four weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	$100.00
(6) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	360.00
Transportation		200.00
Office Supplies		50.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
		$760.00

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/cw
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards

VEP-68-45

March 26, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter
Education Project
213½ Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Edwards:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Greensboro Students Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Greensboro County, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $200.00 for a period of five weeks to run from April 1 to May 3, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to five weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Student Program	$ 200.00
	$ 200.00

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Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

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March 26, 1968

Mrs. Mamie Kendrick
Route 2, Box 114
Fort Gaines, Georgia 31751

Dear Mrs. Kendrick:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Clay County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Clay County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of ten weeks to run from April 1 to July 8, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 300.00
(4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		400.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
Student Program		150.00
		$ 1,500.00

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/cw
Enclosure

cc: Charles Sherrod

VEP-68-36

March 26, 1968

Miss Dicy Chester
Post Office Box 211
Leary, Georgia

Dear Miss Chester:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Calhoun County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Calhoun County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of 10 weeks to run from April 1 to July 8, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 300.00
(4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		400.00
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Student Program		150.00
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Director
Voter Education Project

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cc: Charles Sherrod

March 26, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
North Carolina Voter
Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear John:

Enclosed is Bill Samuel's itinerary. Please make motel reservations for him accordingly.

Hope all goes well. Take care.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau

WJR/cw
Enclosure

March 26, 1968

The Reverend C. J. Whitaker
President
Richland County Voter Registration Council
6308 Benedict Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Dear Reverend Whitaker:

I am sorry I was unable to spend more time with you and the workers in your project last week. Hopefully, I will be back in Columbia before the termination of the drive.

How are the YWCA workers doing? I am sure that all is well under your very able and dedicated direction.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

WJR/cw

March 26, 1968

Dr. Charles H. Thomas, Jr.
President
South Carolina V.E.P.
1125 Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Chuck:

It was good seeing you again last week and I hope that everything is now going well with the project. Jimmy told me of Emerson's finding lodging in the community. I hope the drive can proceed with a minimum of difficulty and terminate with a maximum of success.

Take care.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau

WJR/cw

March 26, 1968

Mr. Robert Ingram
Hancock County Democratic Club
718 New Street
Sparta, Georgia 31087

Dear Mr. Ingram:

It was good seeing you again on Tuesday. I was happy to hear that everything is going well with the project in Hancock County and I hope that it has a successful termination.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

WJR/cw

March 26, 1968

Mr. William Miles
Associate Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce De Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida

Dear Bill:

The report on Coconut Grove and Coral Gables was great. The number registered in those areas is great and I hope the reports from the other projects are equally heartening.

Give my regards to your workers and keep up the good work.

Yours cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

WJR/cw

March 26, 1968

Miss Shelby Lewis
Department of Political Science
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Shelby:

Enclosed is the list of Negro elected officials you requested plus two of SRC's latest Special Reports. Hope you find them informative reading.

Please give my very best good wishes to Jewel.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

WJR/cw
Enclosure

March 26, 1968

Mr. Nils R. Douglas
344 Camp Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Mr. Douglas:

This is to express VEP's appreciation for your attending the Louisiana Voter Education Project's organizational meeting in Baton Rouge On March 14. Both Vernon and I were very impressed by the enthusiastic responses of those who were present. In short, we feel that the meeting was a success and our hope is for a similar success for the Louisiana VEP.

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Best wishes,

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Field Director

WJR/cw
Enclosure

cc: Wm. Samuel

March 26, 1968

Mr. Alphonse Jackson, Jr.
1627 Weinstock
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Jackson:

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March 26, 1968

Mr. Louis Berry
1406 9th Street
Alexandria, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Berry:

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cc: Wm. Samuel

March 26, 1968

Mr. Eric L. Armstrong
723 Riverside Drive
Lake Providence, Louisiana 71254

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

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Field Director

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Enclosure

cc: Wm. Samuel

March 26, 1968

Reverend Gilbert Harrison, Sr.
Route #2, Box #40A
Calfax, Louisiana 71417

Dear Reverend Harrison:

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March 26, 1968

Mrz Robert Thompson
Post Office Box 62
Clinton, Louisiana 70772

Dear Mr. Thompson:

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Field Director

WJR/cw
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March 26, 1968

Mr. Marion Overton White
1502 Market Street
Opelousas, Louisiana 70570

Dear Mr. White:

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Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

WJR/cw
Enclosure

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March 26, 1968

Mr. Acie J. Belton
1763 Rosenwald Road
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Belton:

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Best wishes,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

WJR/cw

cc: Wm. Samuel

March 26, 1968

Dr. Jewel Prestage
2145 77th Avenue
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Prestage:

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Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

WJR/cw

cc: Wm. Samuel

March 26, 1968

Reverend J. H. Scott
Route 1, Box 13
Lake Providence, Louisiana 71254

Dear Reverend Scott:

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Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

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Enclosure

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March 26, 1968

Dr. Louis C. Pendleton
1514 Gary Street
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Pendleton:

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Weldon J. Rougeau
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Enclosure

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March 26, 1968

Mr. Jesse N. Stone
854½ Texas Avenue
Shreveport, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Stone:

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Field Director

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March 26, 1968

Mr. Murphy W. Bell
Post Office Box 319
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Bell:

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Best wishes,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

WJR/cw

cc: Wm. Samuel

March 26, 1968

Mr. J. K. Haynes
Post Office Box 1767
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Haynes:

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Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

WJR/cw

cc: Wm. Samuel

March 26, 1968

Mr. Alfred E. Mitchell
Route 1, Box 489
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

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Best wishes,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

WJR/cw

cc: Wm. Samuel

March 26, 1968

Mr. Emmitt J. Douglas
911 St. Mary Street
New Roads, Louisiana 70760

Dear Mr. Douglas:

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Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

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cc: Wm. Samuel

March 26, 1968

Mr. Ernest N. Morial
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Dear Mr. Morial:

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Best wishes,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director

WJR/cw

cc: Wm. Samuel

March 26, 1968

Mr. William W. Harleaux
1818 Haase Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Mr. Harleaux:

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Field Director

WJR/cw

cc: Wm. Samuel

March 26, 1968

Mr. Matthew Jackson
c/o Lowdnes County Christian Movement
P. O. Box 205
Hayneville, Alabama 36040

Dear Mr. Jackson:

I have undertaken an assignment for the Voter Education Project to prepare a "How To Do It" booklet which we hope will make political action easier for Southern Negroes.

The Booklet will contain a series of interviews with Negroes who have run for office in all of the states of the South. Some of the interviews will be with successful candidates, and some will be with those who ran and lost.

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Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
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March 26, 1968

Mr. Eugene Peoples
Route 1, Box 72
Tyler, Alabama 36785

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Route 1, Box 70
Tyler, Alabama 36785

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March 26, 1968

Mr. Benjamin Muse
Heron House
Reston, Virginia 22070

Dear Ben:

So glad you were able to work things out with your publisher. We'll be looking forward to getting your selections. The fee is no problem.

Two months in Europe sounds like a dream!

Let us hear from you.

Yours truly,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

March 26, 1968

Union of America Hebrew Congregations
816 Congress Building
Miami, Florida 33132

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Secretary
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March 26, 1968

Mr. Foy Valentine
Southern Baptist Convention
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, Tennessee 37219

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Mr. Quinland Gordon
Protestant Episcopal Church
815 Second Avenue
New York, New York 10017

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Miss Hannah Stein
National Council of Jewish Women
1 West 47th Street
New York, New York 10036

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Mr. Malcolm P. Calhoun
The Presbyterian Church in the United States
8 North Sixth Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

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March 26, 1968

Miss Dorothy Height, President
National Council of Negro Women
1318 Vermont Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Miss Height:

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cc: Miss H. Elsie Austin

March 26, 1968

Mr. Harold C. Fleming
Executive Vice-President
The Potomac Institute, Inc.
1501 - 18th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

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Mr. Irving Gordon
Jewish Labor Committee
630 Ansley Court, Apt. 15
Atlanta, Georgia 30324

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Congress on Racial Equality
2211 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

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Mr. Ian McCrae
Disciples of Christ
United Christian Missionary Society
222 South Downey Avenue
Indianapolis, Indiana 46207

Dear Mr. McCrae:

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March 26, 1968

The Reverend Darrell Doudy
The Westminster Foundation
449 Patterson
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Darrell:

At the request of Malcolm Blackburn, we are shipping two cartons (180 copies) of our special report, In Memphis: More Than a Garbage Strike, via Continental Trailways, for distribution by you. We are happy to supply these free of charge. We addressed them to Mr. Blackburn, because of his proximity to the Trailways station in Memphis, and notified him by telephone, so that you/ probably will have received the reports before you~~r~~ get this letter.

It was a pleasure meeting you at Zeke's house last Friday night. I am glad to know that you are working with him and am also happy to hear of your leadership in an effort to secure some support for the strikers from whites in Memphis.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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cc: The Rev. Malcolm Blackburn

Reading File

Southern , Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. A 30303
522-87

PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

March 26, 1968

TO: THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE CONCERNED OF
THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

FROM: Mrs. M. E. Tilly, Director of Woman's Work

Enclosed you will find two news releases. One is from the Washington Post giving the tragic story of the clash between the police and students on the campus of the South Carolina State College, Organgeburg, South Carolina resulting in the killing of three students by the police and the injury of 25 others, 16 of whom were shot in the back including two of the students that were killed. The second is an open letter from the presidents of the five colleges which compose the Atlanta University Center directed to President Johnson and law enforcement officials appealing for protection of college campuses from invasion by the "American version of storm troopers." It also calls for the removal from service "all armed, untrained law enforcement officers who are prejudiced, brutal and impulsive."

Is this Orangeburg riot a prologue or forecast of what is being predicted that will happen in our cities "this hot summer 1968?" Every citizen of the United States has a stake in this and a responsibility we dare not shirk.

TO YOU WHO ARE LEADERS IN STATE, DISTRICT, OR LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS we suggest:

1. If you do not already possess "The Report of the Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders" it will be well for you to secure a copy. The Bantam Book edition is $1.25 per copy.

   Time Magazine, March 8 issue, has a good summary of the report under the caption, "Prescription for Racial

Racial Peace." It lists the specific recommendations for urban police forces made by the Commission -- more Negroes on police forces, increased police protection to the ghettos, training of police in the prevention and control of riots, condemns police departments that are buying destructive weapons such as tanks and machine guns -- "weapons which are designed to destroy, not to control" have no place in densely populated urban communities.

Atlanta Police Chief Herbert Jenkins, the only Southerner and law enforcement officer of the Commission has said, "It would be a serious mistake for a local police department to establish themselves as armored combat units. The National Guard and the army have all the equipment necessary, if it is required."

Police Training:

Washington has inspired a course in Riot Control officially known as Civil Disturbance Orientation Course. It is being taught by the military police school at Fort Gordon and is now in process at the Augusta, Georgia post. These courses began in February and will continue into May. The military runs 60 persons through the course each week. The setting is "Riotsville U. S. A.," a mock city, and "riots" happen there every Thursday. Hopefully the training will give National Guard, state and local police an idea of how to acquit themselves if a riot occurs.

Classroom instruction is divided into two parts with nineteen hours devoted to planning for a riot and 17 hours of operation during a riot. Each student must prepare a plan for handling a riot in his home city.

2. VERY IMPORTANT --

We must know something of our police force.

A friendly visit to the Chief of Police may mean much. An engagement must be made before hand.

Questions to be asked of him:

What plans are being made for riot prevention and control?

What training is being given in riot control in case an emergency arises?

What weapons will be used if a riot begins?

Please let us hear from you -- you brave fine women.

P. S. If you need encouragement or more information, you can secure it from the National Association of Real Estate Board. THE REALTORS' PROGRAM TO MAKE AMERICA BETTER includes 50 special proposals described in a pamphlet which suggests what you can do in your own community. You may have your copy without charge by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope (large size) to "MAKE AMERICA BETTER," National Association of Real Estate Boards, 1300 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036.

March 27, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. David E. Caywood
Burch, Porter & Johnson
128 North Court Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee 38103

Dear Dave:

Thank you for your letter of March 25 and the copy of WDIA's editorial on the Memphis report.

I am to fly to Memphis tomorrow morning (Thursday) and will take a few copies along. However, we sent Baxton a superabundance of copies and he told me that he can supply your needs ---in case I miss you.

Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

March 27, 1968

Dr. Gideon W. Fryer
Box 8620
University Station
Knoxville, Tennessee 37916

Dear Dr. Fryer:

Thank you for your comments on the Memphis report. We are sending fifteen free copies to you today.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

March 27, 1968

Mr. Harding D. Huff
Northhampton County Voter's Movement
Star Route
Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Huff:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 27, 1968

Mr. James Jolliff, Jr.
Route 2, Box 112
Woodville, Mississippi 39669

Dear Mr. Jolliff:

Following the instructions you had indicated in your reply to my original letter, I called you at the 888-2701 number on the morning of the 25th and 26th.

I must have missed you on both occasions.

Is there another number where you can be reached or another time that might be more convenient for you?

Nearly any time at all - except for most of next week - would suit my schedule.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB/cw

March 27, 1968

MEMORANDUM:

To: VEJ

From: TO

Re: Total Cost of Louisiana Institute, March 14-15, 1968.

Roosevelt Hotel Lodging and Food	$2,887.59
Travel and Honoriums for Guest	1,832.13
Total:	$4,719.72*
La. VEP Organizational Meeting Travel re-imbursements	$ 167.42
Total Spent in Louisiana in Meetings:	$4,887.14

*This does not include Staff Transportation and Transportation for persons who were sent Flight Checks.

March 27, 1968

Mr. Coleman Miller
Tri-County Community Center, Inc.
1036 Dalton Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Miller:

Many thanks for sending me the clippings.

Incidentially, I am conducting a research study of Negro political action, and am having some difficulty getting responses from some of the Mississippians who were selected for this project.

If you should happen to run into Charles Evers, I hope you can urge him to respond to a letter and questionnaire I have sent him.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

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March 27, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter
Education Project
213½ Main Street
Durhan, North Carolina 27701

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Mrs. Mamie Kendrick
Clay County Voter Education Project
Route 2, Box 114
Fort Gaines, Georgia 31751

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Mr. Robert L. Harrell
President
Asheville-Buncombe County Citizens' Organization
13½ Eagle Street
Asheville, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Harrell:

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Mr. Willie Hazelwood
President
NAACP Branch
Humphrey County Voter Education Project
283 Central Street
Belzoni, Mississippi 39038

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Mr. Russell Stevenson
c/o Professor Charles Nesson
Harvard Law School
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Mr. Stevenson:

Enclosed are the Louisiana and Mississippi registration figures as promised. I look forward to seeing a copy of your study.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
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March 27, 1968

Dr. M. A. Ray
President
East Tarboro Citizens League
422 East Church
Tarboro, North Carolina 27886

Dear Dr. Ray:

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Mr. William Samuel
Director
Louisiana Voters Education
310 Oak Street
Plaquemie, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Enclosed is a flight itinerary and a $75.00 travel advance for your trip to North Carolina. We had to make your reservations from New Orleans because everything leaving Baton Rouge would have entailed too much flying time. I think you'd want to avoid that when possible.

I hope that while you are in Durham, you will question John Edwards at length about VEP in North Carolina. I have no hesitancy in saying that John is very well thought of in our office and he is a hard worker. In that regard, I think the two of you have something in common.

I am sending John your flight itinerary in order that he can meet you at the Raleigh-Durham Airport. He is making motel reservations for you in Durham.

I am very sorry about the unusually long delay in receiving your money. I spoke to Vernon about it and you should be getting it this week.

Hope the trip to North Carolina is rewarding. Let me know how everything goes.

Yours cordially,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director

WR/cw
Enclosure

P.S. Your ticket has been paid for and you may pick it up in New Orleans on your day of departure.

March 27, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please run off 750 copies of the attached press release and send to categories I and II, plus the media category.

Many thanks.

March 27, 1968

Mr. James P. Green
President
Vance County Voters League
176 Beckford Drive
Henderson, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Green:

Just a note to say that it was indeed wonderful meeting with members of the Vance County Voters League on last evening. Pursuant to my verbal commitment, we are making a supplementary grant in the amount of $300.00 to the Vance County Voters League. This will make the total amount granted $1,500.00.

The provisions for recipients of grants, as outlined in our previous letter, also apply to supplementary grants.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/cw

March 27, 1968

Sheriff Lucius Amerson
Macon County Sheriff's Department
109 North Elm Street
Tuskegee, Alabama 36088

Dear Sheriff Amerson:

Thank you for responding so promptly to my letter and questions.

Both of the dates you mentioned for an in-person interview will find me away from Atlanta. I wonder if you could suggest a time for a telephone interview.

I am enclosing a list of sample questions. The interviews conducted so far have lasted about one-half hour. What I hope to do is to get a narrative description from each interviewee in response to the questions so that each story will be told in his own words by the person I am interviewing.

In other words, you will be telling me the how and why of your election and it will not be interpreted through my words.

Additionally, as I think I mentioned in the original letter, each interviewee will have the oportunity to correct the transcript of each interview session.

May I call you in a day or so to try to arrange some time on the telephone?

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB/cw
Enclosure

March 27, 1968

Mrs. Agnes Sherman
Chairman
Beaufort County Voter
Registration Committee
Post Office Box 38
Frogmore, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Sherman:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincssely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

March 27, 1968

Mr. M. W. Thornhill, Jr.
President
Lynchburg Voters League
525 Smyth Street
Lynchburg, Virginia

Dear Mr. Thornhill:

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

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Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

March 27, 1968

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

March 27, 1968

Mrs. Alice Ballance
Bertie County Voters' Education Project
Route 4, Box 222-B
Windsor, North Carolina

Dear Mrs. Ballance:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

March 27, 1968

Mr. William Roy Holloman
Chairman
Hertford County, VEP
1201 C. C. Road
Ahoskie, North Carolina 27910

Dear Mr. Holloman:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

March 27, 1968

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Lynchburg Voters League
525 Smyth Street
Lynchburg, Virginia 24501

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

March 27, 1968

The Reverend Jeremiah Webb
Halifax County Voters' Movement
307 Holmes Place
Weldon, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Webb:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 27, 1968

Miss Dicy Chester
Calhoun County Voter Education Project
Post Office Box 211
Leary, Georgia

Dear Miss Chester:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

March 28, 1968

Mrs. Geneva Collins
716 Coffee Street
Port Gibson, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Collins:

Many thanks for answering my letter so quickly.

I look forward to calling you on the 6th or 7th of April.

I am enclosing a list of the sorts of questions I want to ask you. What I hope to get on tape is your story in your words, so that it won't be me telling people how you got elected.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB/cw

March 28, 1968

Mr. Charles Evers
NAACP
1072 Lynch Street
Room #7
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Evers:

It was good talking with you this morning.

I am sending you a copy of the letter that was sent out earlier as well as the two forms we have sent to all the candidates we selected for this study.

I hope you can find time to fill them out and drop them in the mail, and we can set up a telephone interview sometime in the future.

Best wishes for success this summer.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB/cw

March 28, 1968

Mr. Clarence Townes
Republican National Committee
1625 Eye Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Townes:

Thanks for your prompt response to my letter.

While reading it, I recalled that you had been a candidate yourself. I wonder if I might interview you and include your story in this survey. The interviewsso far have not lasted longer than one-half hour.

May I call you in a week or so to set up a time that would be convenient to you?

I am enclosing a list of the sorts of questions I want to ask, and hope you can find time from your busy schedule to spare a half hour for the project.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB/cw
Enclosure

March 28, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kathy Martin

FROM: Weldon Rougeau

Attached is the balance from my last travel advance in the amount of $2.10.

WJR:mlj

cc: Ruth Vick

VEP 68-47

March 28, 1968

Mr. Silas Smith
Director
Houston County Voters Committee
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia 31093

Dear Mr. Smith:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Houston County Voters Committee for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Houston County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from April 1 to May 27, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
(3) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	360.00
Transportation		200.00
Supplies		40.00
		$1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are" required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/cw
Enclosure

VEP-68-46

March 28, 1968

Mr. John H. Wheller
Durham Committee on Negro Affairs
Box 1932
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wheller:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Durham Committee On Negro Affairs for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Durham, North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from April 1 to May 27, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Director's salary	@ $50.00 per week	@ 400.00
Secretary salary	@ $35.00 per week	280.00
(10) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	1,200.00
Transportation		500.00
Supplies		50.00
Postage and Printing		70.00
		$ 2,500.00

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Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/cw
Enclosure

cc: John Edwards

March 28, 1968

Mr. Nathan Novick
142 Beale Street
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Novick:

I recall your talking to me briefly in front of your store, and your asking me to send you a copy of what I wrote.

Under separate cover, we are sending a copy of our "Special Report" on the Memphis sanitation strike.

As I recall, you were nonplussed about the purpose of the marching. The report was written, in part, to try to bring out the underlying causes for so much support of the strike from so many Memphis Negroes. I hope you find it helpful.

With all good wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield,
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Under separate cover: In Memphis: More Than a Garbage Strike

March 28, 1968

AIR MAIL

Dr. Joseph P. Witherspoon
Professor of Law
School of Law
The University of Texas
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Joe:

I have been caught up in the Memphis sanitation strike and a few other things, and so must apologize for not answering sooner your letter of March 19. In addition, Paul has been out on annual leave all of this week, and I shall be unable to answer at this time concerning the chief purpose of your letter, which is the printing of the conference proceedings. I shall talk to him next Monday and write to you. Meanwhile, this will let you know that we have not vanished.

You will be interested to know that we are following up on a suggestion of Father Casso's that the SRC might conduct among Mexican-American high school youngsters in San Antonio a study similar to our Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis, which reported attitudes of Negro youth in Atlanta. As a matter of fact, William Farmar, who prepared the Atlanta study and report, is in San Antonio today (and will stay through Friday) to confer with Father Casso and others about revision of the questionnaire and procedural details.

It is our thought that this will help further establish some identity with Mexican-Americans, which would be advantageous, whatever role we may play in getting a Southwest Regional Council started. (We really must think up another name, to avoid confusion of SRCs.)

We are also giving more thought to a special report on cases of police brutality, especially along the Rio Grande. We talked about such a study while Paul and I were in Austin, thinking, as I recall, of the Texas Rangers in particular; but it might be advisable not to cast it particularly as an attack on the Rangers -- then just report instances in which they were involved.

Very soon -- I promise -- I am going to send you a draft of a prospectus on a Southwest Council, or at least a Texas Council (although I am inclined to think it should be called regional from the beginning, even though really started on a smaller base). It is about time to be writing some letters of invitation to an initial meeting.

Thank you again for your arduous labors for the conference and your very gracious treatment of us. You may be an "amateur," but I say confidently that you would have no trouble turning professional any time you might wish.

Look to hear from me again. Meanwhile, all good wishes.

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

cc: Paul Anthony

Under separate cover: Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis
In Memphis: More Than a Garbage Strike

March 29, 1968

Dr. William C. Archie
Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation
Reynolds
Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27106

Dear Dr. Archie:

This is to request the consideration of the Foundation's renewal of support of its grant of $50,000 made last year for use with our Voter Education Project. Enclosed is a copy of a more detailed report on the project than has already been sent to you. It reflects, I believe, a substantial and vital program.

The support of the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation last year was extremely important to us, and we shall be sincerely grateful for any consideration you can give to this request.

If you would like additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

March 29, 1968

Mr. Frederick Delves
3039 Nursery Road
Symrna, Georgia 30080

Dear Mr. Delves:

Enclosed is the material I promised you.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

March 29, 1968

Mr. E. W. Steptoe
Route 2, Box 119
Liberty, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Steptoe:

It is good to hear from you again. It seems like twenty years since Bob Moses, Hollis Watkins and Curtis Hayes and myself spent the night at your farm when Harvey Richards, the man from California, was making that movie.

I hope we can arrange some time to talk by telephone.

The interviews I have had so far with other Negro candidates have not lasted more than one-half hour.

What I am interested in is getting from you, in your words, the story of your campaign, so that you will be telling it and it won't be me telling what you have told me.

I will be out of town on April 1st and for the rest of that week and part of the next.

Let me call you some time after I return and we will see if we can get a time and date that will fit both of us.

Once again, it is good to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB/cw

March 29, 1968

Senator Horace T. Ward
361 Ashby Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sanator Ward:

Thank you for your prompt response to my letter and questions.

I will call you during the first week in April to try to set up sometime to conduct the interview.

So far, no interview has exceeded 30 minutes. I could interview you by telephone - as I have done with several subjects so far - but since you are in Atlanta, would prefer to set up some time, at your convenience, when we can sit down together.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB/cw

March 29, 1968

Mr. Jesse H. Turner, Sr.
1278 Gill Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Turner:

Many thanks for your prompt answer to my letter.

The date you have suggested - April 4 - is a poor one for me.

Can you suggest another?

The week of April 15 would be best for my schedule. I hope you can find some time in your busy life with all the turmoil in your hometown to lend about one-half hour to this busy project.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB/cw

March 29, 1968

Mr. Tommy Wrenn
1901 North 18th Place
Apartment #1
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Tommy:

Thanks for answering my letter so quickly.

I am trying to do as many of these as possible by telephone. It doesn't take long, usually not more than one-half hour or 45 minutes at the most.

I looked forward to seeing you a few weeks ago when I was at Reverend Nelson Smith's church.

The day you have suggested is a bad one for me.

Can I try to call you between now and the next few weeks to see if I can catch you in the office or at home?

Please let me know.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB/cw

VEP-68-50

March 29, 1968

Mr. Banister Carden
President
Halifax County Independent Voters League
Route 2, Box 179
Scottsburg, Virginia

Dear Mr. Carden:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Halifax County Independent Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in the Halifax County, Virginia area. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from April 1 to May 27, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
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Transportation		255.00
Printing		25.00
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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/cw
Enclosure

VEP-68-49

March 29, 1968

Mrs. Virginia Johnson
Chairman
The Pittsylvania County Voters League
Post Office Box 97
Chatham, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Pittsylvania County Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in the Pittsylvania County, Virginia area. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from April 1 to May 27, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

VEP-68-48

March 29, 1968

Mr. Edwin Beavers
424 Camp Street
Damville, Virginia

Dear Mr. Beavers:

The Voter Education Project has carefully condidered the request of the Damville Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in the Danville, Virginia area. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for apperiod of eight weeks to run from April 1 to May 27, 1968.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

VEP-68-51

March 29, 1968

Mr. Joseph Pritchett
Chairman
Martinsville-Henry-Patrick County
Voter's Registration Committee
1203 Maxine Road
Martinsville, Virginia

Dear Mr. Pritchett:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Martinsville-Henry-Patrick County Voters Registration Committee for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in the Martinsville-Henry-Patrick County, Virginia areas. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from April 1 to May 27, 1968.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/cw
Enclosure

VEP-68-52

March 29, 1968

Mr. Garland Davis
President
Mecklenburg County Voter's League
1080 Boyd Street
Chase City, Virginia

Dear Mr. Davis:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Mecklenburg County Voter's League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in the Mecklenburg County, Virginia area. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from April 1 to May 27, 1968.

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

March 29, 1968

TO: Janet Shortt

FROM: Marvin Wall

Would you please order for the VEP 100 copies of "Voting is People Power." It is published by the League of Women Voters Education Fund, 1200 Seventeenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036. The cost is 25¢ per copy.

Many thanks.

March 29, 1968

Mr. George Butler
c/o Mrs. Geneva E. Collins
Clerk of Chancery Court
Claiborne County
Port Gibson, Mississippi 39150

Dear Mr. Butler:

The Voter Education Project is pleased that you have consented to be a VEP intern with Mrs. Geneva Collins, Chancery Clerk of Claiborn County. We hope that it will make your work study experience from Antioch College meaningful.

For the six-month period of your internship, VEP will pay you a subsistence of $25.00 per week plus the round trip travel expenses from Yellow Springs, Ohio, to Port Gibson, Mississippi. This subsistence support is effective as of March 25, 1968. To that end, we are enclosing a check in the amount of $65.00, $40.00 for travel expenses and $25.00 for your subsistence. Hereafter the subsistence checks will be mailed from here on the 15th and the last day of each month. Unless we hear from you further, we will use the above address.

Please understand that your internship with Mrs. Collins, where VEP support is concerned, is at the pleasure of Mrs. Collins. In other words, if Mrs. Collins, for whatever reason, decides that she has no need for your services and so informs us, then we will have to terminate the subsistence.

At the end of your internship, we require a narrative report on your experiences in the Chancery Clerk office.

Best wishes to you and Mrs. Collins.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mrs. G. Collins
Mr. Paul Fitzpatrick

March 29, 1968

Mr. Silas Smith
Director
Houston County Voters Committee
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia 31093

Dear Mr. Smith:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however,,that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

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In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

March 29, 1968

Mr. Frank Parker
United States Commission on Civil Rights
Washington, D. C. 20425

Dear Mr. Parker:

Some time ago, William Taylor told me you had almost completed a study of Negro political activity in the South and that I might be able to get an early copy.

Is the report available? If so, may I ask you to send me a copy.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate

JB/cw

April 1, 1968

Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
1900 Brunswick Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina 28211

Dear Dr. Wheeler:

I thought you might be interested in the attached guidelines for the Stennis Amendment - "Program Guidelines - Emergency Food and Medical Services."

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enclosure

April 1, 1968

Mr. James E. Heard
Administrative Assistant to the
Program Chairman
Institute of Politics
John Fitzgerald Kennedy School of Government
Harvard University
78 Mount Auburn Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Mr. Heard:

In my absence you have been sent our recent annual report which goes into some detail on our current activities. Today, under separate cover, we are sending you a copy of our 1967 audit, a publications list, and the recent issue of our quarterly magazine, New South.

As you will see from the audit, the Council employs a staff of approximately 45 persons and has a budget slightly in excess of a million dollars a year. (Much of these funds are given to other groups or efforts through such projects as our Voter Education Project.)

If you would like further information about the Council, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 1, 1968

Mr. Randolph P. Compton
The Compton Trust
20 Exchange Place
New York, New York 10005

Dear Mr. Compton:

Thank you for your contribution of $2,000 in support of the Rural Advancement Project. Please know that we are sincerely grateful to you and Mrs. Compton for this continued interest and support. We shall make every effort to use these funds effectively.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1 (Official receipt)

April 1, 1968

Mr. David A. Smith
RFD 65
Chester, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Smith:

Thank you for your resumé and your interest in the Southern Regional Council.

At the moment, we have no openings here. However, we shall keep your inquiry on file and will share your resumé with any other agencies where we know of employment possibilities.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 1, 1968

Mr. Fred M. Cox
Assistant Professor
The University of Michigan
School of Social Work
1065 Friese Building
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

Dear Mr. Cox:

I am happy to know that you have made satisfactory arrangements with Mr. McNair concerning Miss Pergament's work with us.

As I indicated to you on the telephone, we are very flexible in arrangements such as this one, and while we try to get enough production from a student to justify our costs, our main concern is that the student have a profitable experience.

Miss Pergament will be associated with two of our projects. These are the Project on Crime and Corrections and the Project on Community Organization and Education.

The director of the Project on Crime and Corrections is Mr. John Boone, a graduate of the Atlanta University School of Social Work and for 14 years an employee of the Federal Bureau of Prisons. Under his supervision Miss Pergament will engage in some field work and some work in research. The latter will likely be concerned with disparages in the sentencing and treatment of prisoners on the basis of race and economic status.

The Project on Community Organization and Education is directed by Mr. John Lewis, formerly chairman of SNCC, and more recently a staff member of the Field Foundation. Under Mr. Lewis's direction Miss Pergament will be working with self-help and cooperative groups in both rural and urban areas, but largely rural.

In both instances her specific assignments will be determined at the time according to both the needs of the programs named and Miss Pergament's interests. I think she will find her work an exciting and rewarding experience.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Miss Revelle Pergament
Mr. Ray McNair

April 1, 1968

Mr. Jerome K. Heilbron
Regional Director
Southern Region
U. S. Department of Justice
Community Relations Service
Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear Jerry:

Thanks for your note and for the information about the institute at Johns Hopkins.

You are right, we get much too busy being busy. I do hope soon we will have another chance to visit, and less formally.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 1, 1968

Mr. Martin Allen
204 North Chase Street
Charlotte, North Carolina 28207

Dear Mr. Allen:

Thank you for the resumé. We shall keep it on file and share it with other agencies as their needs come to our attention.

I do hope you are successful.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 1, 1968

Mr. William A. Neron
Research Assistant
Department of Political Science
University of Florida
Gainesville, Florida 32601

Dear Mr. Neron:

Your request is being shared with Mr. Marvin Wall who is our Director of Research for the Voter Education Project. You will be hearing from him shortly.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 1, 1968

Dr. Emory F. Via
School for Workers
University of Wisconsin
Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Emory:

Thanks for the word on the article in the Harvard Law Review. We shall get a copy.

As soon as the doctor finishes with you, let us know what the results are.

Don't let my comments about the Ford Foundation have any influence on your decision to return. While the Ford Foundation has most of the money, they don't have all of it, and I still feel certain we can support you in the manner in which you have become accustomed.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 1, 1968

Mr. Arnold Liebowitz
U. S. Department of Commerce
Bureau of the Census
Washington, D. C. 20233

Dear Arnold:

I have just returned from a week of vacation, and learned that through a mix-up, that is completely my fault, you did not get word that I had to leave Washington early and, therefore, could not get by to see you. I am still very interested in the idea you mentioned, would like to know more about your thinking on it, and would like to be of any possible help.

I hope to be in Washington again on the afternoon of April 18. Could we get together then?

In the meantime, my apologies.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 1, 1968

Dr. Albert W. Dent
President
Dillard University
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Al:

Thanks for sharing with us the article. Our report has gotten quite a bit of reaction, including an invitation from the Louisiana Director of Prisons for us to inspect the facilities there. We plan to take him up on it.

I do hope your schedule will allow for your attendance at our Executive Committee meeting on Saturday, and look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 1, 1968

Mr. Walter Zand
Florida Area Director
The American Jewish Committee
701 DuPont Plaza Center
Miami, Florida 33131

Dear Walter:

Thanks for your invitation to speak to your class. I do hope to be in Miami some time this spring, and will let you know when I am coming.

Incidentally, the main purpose for my coming to Miami will be money-raising. If you know of any sources left over from your own needs, I would be very pleased to know about them.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 1, 1968

Mr. Jerome Nilssen
Editor
Board of Parish Education
Lutheran Church in America
2900 Queen Lane
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19129

Dear Mr. Nilssen:

We would be delighted for you to reprint our pamphlet, Neighborhoods: Where Human Relations Begin, by Mrs. Margaret Price. All we would ask would be a line reading, "Reprinted with permission of the Southern Regional Council, Inc."

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

__via air mail__ April 1, 1968

Mr. Paul R. Christopher
AFL-CIO Region VIII Director
216 Flatiron Building
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Christopher:

As you have requested, a reservation has been made for you at the Sheraton-Biltmore for Friday, April 5 -- marked late arrival.

We look forward to seeing you Saturday.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

April 1, 1968

Mrs. Bettye H. Kehrer
Route #2 - Six Flags Drive
Austell, Georgia

Dear Bettye:

Thank you for sharing with me the proposal for a Georgia Welfare Rights Center. It is well done and certainly concerns itself with one of the basic problems.

Please know that I will do anything possible in support of the proposal, and very much hope you can raise the funds for it.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mrs. Frances Pauley

April 1, 1968

Mr. Basil J. Whiting
Assistant Program Officer
The Ford Foundation
Division of National Affairs
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Basil:

Thanks very much for your recent letter.

I can understand the problems of scheduling, and needless to say, would like to do anything I can to minimize them. However, and quite honestly, I am both disappointed and concerned that we are now likely dealing with a September decision. This is especially true from my standpoint in terms of personnel. There are several people here and several others whom I would like to lure here and who either need reassurances and/or offers -- or the lack of them -- so they can plan their futures.

So be it. We are at your mercy and that's the natural order of things.

I'll look forward to seeing you and welcome your further review when it is convenient with you.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 1, 1968

Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
1900 Brunswick Avenue
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Raymond:

Enclosed is a proposed agenda for our meeting on Saturday. Needless to say, hope you will feel free to make any changes you wish.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

PROPOSED AGENDA

Executive Committee Meeting
Southern Regional Council, Inc.
April 6, 1968

10:00 A.M.

Adoption of the Minutes of Last Meeting

Reading of Resolution on Tax Exemption

Report on SRC - A. Philip Randolph Institute Conference (February 23-25, 1968)

Action on Proposal from Fellowship of Southern Churchmen

Considerations of Fund-Raising

SRC-State Councils on Human Relations Matters

(a) Formation of Association of Human Relations Council Directors

(b) Meeting of Association - March 14

(c) Subsequent Decisions of AHRCD on SRC-SCHR Relations

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Other Business

Adjournment

NOTE: A luncheon break is scheduled for 12:15 p.m. with lunch being served at about 12:30 p.m., at the convenience of the Committee.

April 1, 1968

Mr. J. D. Wingfield, Jr.
Planning Director
Atlanta Region Metropolitan
Planning Commission
900 Glenn Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Wingfield:

Your letter of March 13th was received just as I was leaving town and I have been in and out in "snatches" ever since.

We do appreciate your going into our "Report to the Mayor" so thoroughly. SRC, at present, doesn't have the funds for the proposed study. We hope we may be able to raise the money and trust that we can work with you in a cooperative manner at that time.

As you no doubt noted from Section B-1, Regional Plan, SRC's first concept in 1966 was a Regional Plan rather than a Metropolitan Plan. After several conferences with DOXIADIS, Associates, it became quite clear that a Regional Plan was quite out of the question and then it was indicated that a Metropolitan Plan for either Houston, Dallas, Memphis, New Orleans, Miami or Atlanta was the only feasible approach. It also is apparent that the Atlanta proposal was much more convenient for us.

I hope that sometime soon I may call you for a luncheon appointment when we can chat about this further.

Thanking you again, I am

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director
Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

April 1, 1968

Mr. Joseph Pritchett
Chairman
Martinsville-Henry-Patrick County
Voter's Registration Committee
1203 Maxine Road
Martinsville, Virginia

Dear Mr. Pritchett:

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We wish for yourevery success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 1, 1968

Mr. John H. Wheeler
Durham Committee on Negro Affairs
Box 1932
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 1, 1968

Mrs. Virginia Johnson
Chairman
The Pittsylvania County Voters League
Post Office Box 97
Chatham, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

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Director of Research
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April 1, 1968

Mr. Banister Carden
President
Halifax County Independent Voters League
Route 2, Box 179
Scottxburg, Virginia

Dear Mr. Carden:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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April 1, 1968

Mr. Edwin Beavers
Danville Voters League
424 Camp Street
Danville, Virginia

Dear Mr. Beavers:

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Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 1, 1968

Mr. Garland Davis
President
Mecklenburg County Voter's League
1080 Boyd Street
Chase City, Virginia

Dear Mr. Davis:

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Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 1, 1968

Mr. Parker A. Loving
Chairman
Voter Registration Committee
Algiers Fischer Community Organization
1738 Whitney Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70114

Dear Mr. Loving:

As requested we are enclosing a copy of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. I wish you the best of luck in your registration drive.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 1, 1968

Mrs. Fred Lassiter
Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, Inc.
660 Park Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Lassiter:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of Paul Anthony's letter to the Foundation, and the report that we submitted for consideration of renewed support from the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation. It is our hope that the Foundation will see its way clear to help us implement a meaningful program of voter education in the South.

Seeing you and Mr. Lassiter in New York a few weeks was certainly delightful, and I look forward to seeing you again soon.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosures

April 1, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Janet Shortt

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please order for VEP one copy of "Nomination and Election of the President and Vice President of the United States" (63F/S) for 75¢ and "Factual Campaign Information" (64F/S) for 40¢. The order blank is attached.

Many thanks.

April 1, 1968

Mrs. Edna D. Wright
Chairman
Warren County Voter Registration Project
P. O. Box 236
Warrenton, North Carolina 27589

Dear Mrs. Wright:

Many thanks for your letter of March 29. Congratulations on the excellent material that you have prepared for your project. The research reports come to me and financial reports go to Mr. Olive. It is not necessary to enclose copies of your financial reports with your research reports, so long as Mr. Olive receives the required reports.

I noticed that your report for the period from March 14 to March 21 does not specify the number registered. I trust this was because there was no registration day in Warren County during that period. If this was not the case please let me know.

I am returning to you the list of names turned in by your canvassers. I would like to have several blank copies of the forms for my files. However, the list of names is of no use to me and perhaps might be useful to you in the future.

Please let me know is there was any registration during the period covered by your initial report. Keep in touch with us. We wish you the best of luck in your campaign.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 1, 1968

Miss Dorothy A. Hassfeld
Leadership Fellows Program
The Fund for the Advancement of Education
805 Peachtree Building
Room 571
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Dottie:

We will be happy to add Mr. Jackson and Mr. Green to our mailing list. Thanks for mentioning "Voting Is People Power." We have used it for our projects in the past and have just ordered a new supply for use in our future projects. Come to see us.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

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April 2, 1968

Mr. Thomas Myers
President
Berkeley County Citizens Community
P. O. Box 297
St. Stephens, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Myers:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Berkeley County Citizens Community for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Berkeley County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $750.00 for a period of one month to run from April 12 to May 12, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to one month subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	$ 100.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	300.00
Transportation		300.00
Printing		50.00
		750.00

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples or materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

April 2, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to Hancock County, Georgia

Following is a report on a field trip I made to Hancock County, Georgia on Tuesday, March 19, 1968. The purpose of this trip was to evaluate the effectiveness of a voter registration project now underway in the county. This project is being directed by Mr. Robert Ingram and members of the Hancock County Democratic Club.

FIELD REPORT #14

Progress of Drive

From all indications, registration is proceeding well. As of the day I was there, 219 persons had been registered. Since Negro registration is already fairly high, much of the work now being done is an attempt to root out the unregistered. Consequently, many persons are hard to find and hard to persuade. Resultingly, registrants accruing from the efforts of Task Force Workers are not dramatic, though hardly insignificant.

The reason these new voters are significant lies in the fact that blacks outnumber whites in population and registration. Any new persons registered then, represent a possible means of assuring that candidates with the interests of black people at heart, will stand a better chance of being elected. So, the addition of these voters to the rolls are crucial to political change in Hancock County.

Political Changes Needed

That political changes are needed is undeniable. Institutional changes are direly needed in the area of education, for instance. The school board has five members, one black. Integration of the schools in Sparta, the county seat, is in fact, non-existent. Only about 35 black students attend the white Sparta High School and the Negro Hancock Central High School has no whites in attendance---only 2,400 black students for a school built to accommodate 1,200 people. The school board has refused to do anything about either integrating sbhools or relieving overcrowdedness. Black politicians like Mr. Ingram say that if=there were three Negroes on the school board, rather than one, there would be some changes made.

Other Changes Have Been Made

The logic behind thinking changes can come about is inspired by the political changes on the county commission that have produced sewerage lines, gas lines, paved roads, and other tangible community improvements. Since a black man was elected to the three-member commission,* the above changes have taken place and it is felt that more black faces are needed on the school board to produce changes in education.

It appears that they have something there.

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* For a more detailed examination of these changes see my first report on Hancock County (December 4, 1967).

Mister Backlash, Mister Backlash,
Just who do you think I am?
Tell me, Mister Backlash,
Who do you think I am?
You raise my taxes, freeze my wages,
Send my son to Vietnam.

You give me second-class houses,
Give me second-class schools,
Second-class houses
And second-class schools.
You must think us colored folks
Are second-class fools.

When I try to find a job
To earn a little cash,
Try to find myself a job
To earn a little cash
All you got to offer
Is a white backlash.

But the world is big,

The world is big and roung

Great big world, Mister Backlash,

Big and bright and round---

And it's full of folks like me who are

Black, Yellow, Beige, and Brown.

Mister Backlash, Mister Backlash,

What do you think I got to lose?

Tell me, Mister Backlash,

What you think I got to lose?

I'm gonna leave you, Mister Backlash,

Singing your mean old backlash blues.

You're the one

Yes, you're the one

Will have the blues.

Cheer up, Vernon Jordan; for even though the world is too much with us, we ain't suppose to cry.

VEP 68-57

April 2, 1968

Mr. E. L. Slade, Jr.
President
Richmond Branch, NAACP
420 North First Street
Room 2
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Mr. Slade:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Richmond Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Richmond, Virginia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from April 9 to June 4, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		350.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Supplies		75.00
		$ 1,500.00

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: John Brooks

VEP 68-52

April 2, 1968

Mr. R. C. Jones
President
Westside Improvement League
522 Parson Street
West Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Jones:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Westside Improvement League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Lexington County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of five weeks to run from April 8 to May 13, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to five weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	$ 125.00
Six (6) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	450.00
Transportation		350.00
Rent		37.50
Printing		37.50
		$ 1,000.00

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Director
Voter Education Project

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cc: James Felder

April 2, 1968

Mr. William Samuel
Director
Louisiana Voter's Education
310 Oak Street
Plaquemie, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Enclosed are the expense reporting sheets you requested. In the future, you should mimeograph some for your own use in Louisiana VEP. Of course you know the need for having something of this sort for your expenses as director of the project.

Since VEP will pay for your meeting on the 20th, I am going to bring an ample supply of forms for the persons attending. Have you decided on a place yet?

Take care.

Cordially,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director

WR/cw
Enclosure

April 2, 1968

Mr. Charles Wright
Florida Black Front
Box 14103
University Station
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Mr. Wright:

This is to inform you that I will attend the Jacksonville conference on Friday, May 10, 1968. If you will advise me as to when I should plan to arrive, I would appreciate it.

Thank you for the invitation.

Cordially,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director

WR/cw

April 2, 1968

Mr. Thomas Myers
President
Berkeley County Citizens Community
Post Office Box 297
St. Stephens, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Myers:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

April 2, 1968

Staff Members
SouthWest Georgia Project
216 Highland Avenue
Albany Georgia

Dear Staff Members:

It will not be possible to provide 20 subscriptions for you but we can provide three. I hope this will be a sufficent number of copies to fill your needs. I am enclosing a set which includes all but the first two issues.

Best wishes to you. If we can be of further service to you, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 2, 1968

Miss Phyllis R. Inalls
1112 Old Brook Road
Brookhaven, Mississippi

Dear Miss Inalls:

I am enclosing our 1964 registration figures for Mississippi and our most recent estimates for Mississippi. I wish you had written earlier since it takes a while to fill requests for information. However, I hope you will find this material useful anyway.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 2, 1968

Mr. Merle Black
5125 South Kenwood
Apartment 204
Chicago, Illinois 60615

Dear Mr. Black:

In accordance with your request of March 14, 1968 I am enclosing our most recent table on voter registration in the South. If I can be of further service please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 2, 1968

Mr. W. C. Patton
NAACP and Voter Registration Office
Room 407
1630 North Fourth Avenue
Birmingham, Alabama 35203

Dear Mr. Patton:

Enclosed are the figures for Mississippi and Louisiana which you requested. Come to see us.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

P.S. The figures written in at the top of the Louisiana report are those registered by federal registrars.

April 2, 1968

Mr. James J. Long, Jr.
1644 Burnwood Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21212

Dear Mr. Long:

I am enclosing a map which gives the percentage of Negro population for each county in North Carolina. I am also enclosing our most recent registration figures for North Carolina. The table on voting age population in North Carolina by county and by race also is included. I am sorry to say we do not have any 1960 or 1964 figures for North Carolina by county. However, I am enclosing some 1958 and 1966 figures.

I hope you will find this information helpful. If I can be of further service please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 2, 1968

Mr. Willie Jack, Jr.
1641 North 44th Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

Dear Mr. Jack:

I am enclosing our most recent list of Negro elected officials in the South. Since we operate only in the eleven Southern states we do not have a national list. I believe you will be able to obtain a national list by writing the Democratic and Republican National Committees in Washington. I am also enclosing a copy of our most recent newsletter which contained a table on the number of Negro elected officials in the South.

I hope you will find this information helpful. If I can be of further service please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 2, 1968

Mr. Wayne R. Carlberg
Political Science Department
Western Illinois University
Macomb, Illinois

Dear Mr. Carlberg:

A copy of your letter of March 5, 1968 to the Episcopal Society for Cultural and Racial Unity has been turned over to me for suggestions. I am enclosing some issues of the VEP newsletter which make references to registration difficulties in the South. I strongly recommend that you read the book Climbing Jacob's Ladder which is mentioned in several issues. This book will provide you with the history and background of current registration activities in the South. Also, there was an article in the Summer, 1966 issue of "New South" which describes registration difficulties in the region.

I hope you will find this material helpful. If I can be of further service please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 2, 1968

Miss Mae Green
A. Philip Randolph Educational Fund
217 West 125th Street
New York, New York

Dear Mae:

It was nice meeting you while in New York and I hope that you have now "regenerated" after working as hard as you did.

The expenses I incurred in attending the Young Militants Conference were:

1)	Round trip air transportation (Atlanta to New York) (Receipt attached)	$ 115.50
2)	Taxi (Atlanta) to and from airport	10.20
	(New York) to and from LaGuardia	6.80
	Transportation to Conference	3.50
3)	Hotel (Hotel Paris) (Receipt attached)	18.20
4)	Gratuities	6.50
5)	Entertainment	10.00
	TOTAL	$ 170.70

Again, it was nice meeting you, and I look forward to seeing you in the future.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm
Enclosures

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested for: Res. Dept.

Invoice Rec'd:________ Amount:__________
Check No.________
Mailed:__________

April 3, 1968

The Mississippi Education Association
P. O. Box 222529
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Sirs:

We are interested in obtaining a copy of the Booz-Allen-Hamilton Report which includes a film, "You Decide," and a booklet, "Do Mississippi School Children Have to be the Most Poorly Educated in America?"

Please send us these materials, and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested by: BSM
Check No: ________
Mailed: ___________

Invoice rec'd: _______ Amount: _________

April 3, 1968

Dr. C. P. Nelson
Executive Secretary
Alabama Education Association
422 Dexter Avenue, Box 4177
Montgomery, Alabama

Dear Dr. Nelson:

Please send us a copy of the report stating that Alabama has slipped farther behind the rest of the nation in average salary paid its teachers and average expenditure per pupil.

If there is a charge, bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc; RV
Approved: PA
For: BF - Charge to Crime Project

Invoice Received:_______ Amount:__________
Check No;_______
Mailed:_________

April 3, 1968

Random House
33 West 60th Street
New York, New York 10023

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Mexican-American Youth: Forgotten Youth at the Crossroads, by Celia S. Heller, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

Invoice rec'd:______ Amount:______
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April 3, 1968

Harvard University Press
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, A History of Negro Education in the South: From 1619 to the Present, by Henry Allen Bullock, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

April 3, 1968

Mr. Will C. Allred, Jr.
Executive Director
North Carolina Council on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street, Room 4
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

In reply to your letter of March 29, I'll quote the following section of the SIC by-laws, concerning application for membership:

> Agencies...who wish to participate shall express this in writing to the secretariat who will so inform the full membership. This request shall be acted on by the full body at its earliest convenience. An invitation shall be extended upon an affirmative vote of three-fourths of those present and eligible to vote at any regularly scheduled meeting.

If the Association of Human Relations Council Directors, Inc., would like to request to participate, I shall be happy to have the application and am confident that it will be approved without difficulty.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/rh

Check No: 4375
Mailed: 4/3/68

April 3, 1968

Mr. John D. Lee
State Circulation Manager
The Advertiser Company
Montgomery, Alabama 36102

RE: The Alabama Journal

Dear Mr. Lee:

Forgive the long delay in replying to your letter of March 8.

After checking our records, we have discovered a check was never sent in response to the invoice received on December 19, 1967. It was our mistake and we apologize.

Is it possible, at this late date, to make the subscription retroactive to our original renewal date which is January 1, and receive back copies from that date to the present?

Your consideration and assistance in this matter would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs
Encl. - $32.45 check.

SAME LETTER TO THE FOLLOWING:

Reading File

Roy Valdez
George Gonzalez
Dr. Ken Kramer
Dr. Francis Pierce
Brother Victor Noegle
Mr. Buford Farris
Senator Joe Bernal
Ernest Bernal
Dr. Richard Brymer
Dr. Guy Pryor
Robert Rosa
Gil Maurillo

April 3, 1968

Mr. John Martinez
2700 Cincinnati Street
San Antonio, Texas 78228

Dear Mr. Martinez:

Enclosed is a draft instrument for use in our study of Mexican-American high school students in San Antonio.

We would be very interested in any criticisms or comments you might wish to make. Should you have any additions or deletions to suggest they would, of course, also be welcomed.

While we have not had an opportunity to pretest the instrument, we are quite sure it is too long for administration in one class period. Therefore, we would particularly wish to have you rate the questions in terms of the priority of need and the likelihood of valuable response patterns.

Mr. John Martinez, who has consented to assume the role of principal researcher, will, I am sure, be in touch with you shortly.

Please accept my personal appreciation and that of the Southern Regional Council for the most helpful cooperation you have provided in these initial stages of project design. I hope that Mr. Martinez and I may continue to rely on your counsel and assistance.

Sincerely yours,

William Farmar
Assistant Director
Project on Crime & Corrections

WF/vmb

Enclosures:

April 3, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin

Please mail 1,000 copies of "Know Your Rights" to the Monmouth County Chapter of the ACLU. Label is attached.

Many thanks.

April 3, 1968

Mrs. Sara P. Bird
Serials Librarian
The Library
Winthrop College
Rock Hill, South Carolina 29730

Dear Mrs. Bird:

Enclosed are the copies of the VEP newsletter you requested. Please let us know if you do not continue to receive the newsletter as your name is still on our mailing list.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 3, 1968

Mr. E. L. Slade, Jr.
President
Richmond Branch, NAACP
420 North First Street
Room #2
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Mr. Slade:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

April 3, 1968

Mr. R. C. Jones
President
Westside Improvement League
522 Parson Street
West Columbia, South Carolina

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Voter Education Project

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Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W. ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8784

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

April 3, 1968

The Reverend C. J. Whittaker
Director
The Richland County Voters League
63-8 Benedict Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Dear Mr. Whittaker:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly reports for the weeks of March 25 and April 1. In order to comply with the provisions of our Reporting Requirements we will need supporting documents for the following for the week of March 25:

Prince Hall Grand Lodge	$35.00
Roscue Whitaker	15.00
Jonathan Griffin	5.00
Rufus Brown	15.00
C. J. Whitaker (Refreshments)	25.00

For the week of April 1:

T. R. Youngblood	$15.00
Steffie Goines	20.00
C. C. McLlwain	15.00

M. C. Burrell	$25.00
L. C. Kearse	15.00
Eli Richardson	15.00

May we have these at your earliest convenience. We will reimburse the account as soon as we have this information.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/cw

cc: James Felder

April 3, 1968

Mrs. E. G. Adams
Director
St. Petersburg Voter Registration Campaign
624 22nd Street South
St. Petersburg, Florida 33712

Dear Mrs. Adams:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly report for the week ending March 24, 1968. In order for this report to be reimbursed, it will be necessary for the person responsible for reporting to sign this report.

May we have this at your earliest convenience, so as not to impede the progress of your program.

Sincerely

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/cw

April 3, 1968

Mr. Samuel Moncur
Program Director
Liberty City Community Council
1260 Northwest 62nd Street
Miami, Florida 33147

Dear Mr. Moncur:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly report for the week ending March 24, 1968. In order to comply with the provisions of our Reporting Requirements we will need supporting documents for the following items that you are to be reimbursed:

Coleman's Service Station	$17.00
Zip Press	40.00
Cash - Stamps	6.00

We are also returning your report so that it can be signed by the person authorized.

May we have this at your earliest convenience so that we can reimburse your account.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/cw

April 3, 1968

Mr. Robert L. Harrell
The Asheville-Buncombe County
    Citizens Organization
13½ Eagle Street
Ashville, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Harrell:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly report for the week ending March 23. In order to comply with the provisions of our Reporting Requirements we will need supporting documents for the following:

U. S. Post Office	$18.00
Jones Amoco Service	6.00
Robert Harrell (Advance for office supplies)	8.42
McNorris Amoco Service	22.00

May we have these at your earliest convenience. We will reimburse the account as soon as we have this information.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant

TO/cw

April 4, 1968

Mr. Thomas H. Gibbons, Jr.
Project Equality Council
National Catholic Conference
for Interracial Justice
1307 South Wabash Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60605

Dear Mr. Gibbons:

Pat Watters and I will be available on the morning of the 17th should you find you are in Atlanta then.

We look forward to meeting with you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

April 4, 1968

Miss Patricia A. Bachmann
Secretary to Mr. Armsey
The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Miss Bachmann:

We have checked and Mr. Armsey is on our mailing list and should routinely receive our publications. We seem to have a great deal of difficulty getting our materials to some of the people at the Foundation. Does your mailroom do any selection of what second class mail is to be forwarded?

We appreciate Mr. Armsey's interest very much.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

April 4, 1968

Mrs. Mary Alice Baldinger
Executive Director
National Civil Liberties Clearing House ?
1637 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mary Alice:

You were mailed yesterday the requested 75 copies of the Memphis report. I, and those who did the work on it, very much appreciate your comment.

I, too, am very sorry that we didn't see each other at your meeting. It was a good one.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

April 4, 1968

Mr. Frank T. Adams, Jr.
Executive Director
The Virginia Council on Human Relations
17 East Cary Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Frank:

Thanks for your letter of April 1.

It does sound as if your campaign is moving well and you and all those involved in it are to be commended.

Every good wish.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

April 4, 1968

Mrs. Helen Hill Miller
2810 P Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20007

Dear Helen:

Thanks for thinking of our economy. We need it. Your name is being taken off our mailing list.

I do hope to see you in the Fall. In the meantime, the best from all of us here to you and to Francis.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

MEMORANDUM

April 4, 1968

TO: Janet Smith

FROM: Paul Anthony

Please take the following person off our mailing list:

Mrs. Helen Miller
2810 P Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20007

PA/km

April 4, 1968

MEMO TO: Janet Smith

FROM: Paul Anthony

Please send a copy of "A Guide to Programs for Better Homes and Neighborhoods" to the following:

Mr. J. A. Gannon
401 Karter Street
Huntsville, Alabama

PA/km

Green cc: E S
M S
J B
Ret MMG

April 4, 1968

Mr. J. A. Gannon
401 Karter Street
Huntsville, Alabama

Dear Joe:

When you inquire, you inquire! At least I know one person has read the report. I did not know of the Community Relations Conference in California but will share this information with Ed Stanfield,

We don't, at this time, plan a booklet on Alabama Government, though at a later date we may very well do so.

The two publications you requested are being sent separately. I am very sorry you did not get these routinely.

I am also sharing your letter with Moreland Smith who may be corresponding with you further about your interest in his area.

I shall also mention your interest in the police-community relations program to John Boone, director of our project in Crime and Corrections. He, too, will be in touch with you.

I sincerely appreciate the detail of your interest.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

April 3, 1968

Dear Wiley:

As you requested during your quick stopover here, I am sending you the six copies of **THE BOOK** under separate cover -- with our compliments.

Let us see you more often; give my best to everyone.

Sincerely,

Janet Shortt

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
825 Sixth Street, S. W.
Washington, D. C.

Also sent to: Kenneth Clark
Eli Ginzberg
Highland Lewis
Bayard Rustin
~~Al Vorspan~~
Vivian Henderson

April 4, 1968

Enclosed is a letter being sent out about a conference co-sponsored by the Council and BROTHERHOOD-IN-ACTION.

Hope you can make it.

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

Enclosure

April 4, 1968

Mr. Will D. Campbell
Committee of Southern Churchmen
1106 19th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Mr. Campbell:

The recent Report of the President's Commission on Civil Disorders is eloquent testimony to the imperative need to check the malaise of urban centers--part of which stems from the fact of migration from farm to city.

Yet today there are no viable programs to meet the needs of large numbers of the rural poor where they are now living, nor in the urban areas to which migration continues unabated. The President's National Advisory Commission on Rural Poverty emphasized that "it is impossible to obliterate urban poverty without removing its rural causes." A major attack on urban problems requires that we recognize the effects of the continuing migration from the rural South and North to the urban centers.

Therefore, BROTHERHOOD-IN-ACTION, an organization committed to clarifying issues in the urban crisis, and the SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, a group of concerned Southerners, have decided, after much thought and preparation, to call together from across the nation not more than 40 carefully selected persons possessing knowledge and experience in rural-urban affairs to consider the migration question. We invite you to be one of the participants.

Papers will be prepared by specialists in several aspects of the subject in advance of the meeting which will be conducted in the form of a symposium. This is the first step in a program that will concern itself with rural-urban migration.

The date of the meeting is April 29, 1968 from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. The place is the Brotherhood-In-Action Conference Center, 560 Seventh Avenue, New York City.

We hope you will be able to attend. Please indicate your intention on the enclosed card and return it by April 17 so we may reserve a place for you in this all-important meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Norman H. Perlstein, Exec. Dir.
Brotherhood-In-Action

Paul Anthony, Exec. Director
Southern Regional Council, Inc.

NHP/PA/km

Enc.

April 4, 1968

Mr. Loyal Jones
Executive Director
Council of the Southern Mountains, Inc.
College Box 2307
Berea, Kentucky 40403

Dear Mr. Jones:

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Brotherhood-In-Action

Paul Anthony, Exec. Dir.
Southern Regional Council, Inc.

NHP/PA/km

Enc.

April 4, 1968

TO: Southern Interagency Conference Steering Committee

FROM: Secretariat

Chairman Oscar McCloud has called a meeting of the Steering Committee for 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, April 16, in his office, Room 1418, First Federal Building, 40 Marietta Street, Atlanta.

Purpose of the meeting is to plan the next meeting of the SIC.

Copies to:

Oscar McCloud, Chairman
Jean Fairfax
Ed Brown
Al Kehrer
Courtney Siceloff
Clarence Coleman
David Nickerson

April 4, 1968

Mr. Jerry Wurf
International President
American Federation of State, County
  and Municipal Employees - AFL-CIO
Madison Building
1155 Fifteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Jerry:

Thanks for the kind word about the report.

Enclosed is a copy of a supplement we got out to the media day before yesterday. You may have seen it before this gets to you.

Where is it all going to end?

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enclosure: IN MEMPHIS: TRAGEDY UNAVERTED

April 4, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Sheraton-Peabody Hotel
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Baxton:

I shipped a small package of our supplemental report this morning (Thursday) via Continental Trailways. It should be waiting for you at the bus station, along with the carton of copies of the original report that we shipped previously. (A few copies of the supplement were in the earlier shipment.)

See you Sunday afternoon.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

cc: RV
Approved: PA

Check No:_______
Mailed:_________

April 4, 1968

The Rev. Francis X. Walter
Director
Selma Inter-Religous Project
810 29th Avenue
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401

Dear Mr. Walter:

Enclosed is a check for $10 to aid your "disorganized, charismatic, random, spirit-filled project" which is a donation from the Research Department of SRC. Although it did not come with the many other "cheering, friendly, and check-enclosed replies" you received in February, it is no less heartfelt, and it is still filed in my May bring-up.

Anyhow, our department thoroughly enjoyed my comeuppance, and believe it or not, so did I!

Yours for regularity,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $10.00 check.

April 4, 1968

Mrs. Catherine O'Reilly
The Seabury Press
815 Second Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mrs. O'Reilly:

We are happy to grant you permission to quote from the articles appearing in NEW SOUTH Vol. 22, Nos. 3 and 4, by Leslie W. Dunbar and the Urban Coalition.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

April 4, 1968

Mr. J. Kellum Smith, Jr.
Secretary
The Rockefeller Foundation
111 West 50th Street
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Smith:

In accordance with the stipulation of your letter of February 1, 1966, this is to respectfully request the Foundation grant to the Southern Regional Council for 1968 in the amount of $50,000.

Earlier in the year we supplied the Foundation with copies of our audit and program report for 1967. If you desire additional copies of these documents or any other information, we shall be happy to provide it.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 4, 1968

Mr. Eli Evans
Carnegie Corporation of New York
437 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Eli:

Enclosed is a draft proposal for your consideration. Under separate cover we are sending you a rather large collection of our materials.

Again, it was a real pleasure meeting you last week, and I very deeply appreciate your interest and assistance.

Whenever I plan to be in New York again I shall let you know in the hope that we might get together. Needless to say, should it be necessary, I will be happy to come to New York to discuss the proposal with you and others.

All best regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1 (Proposal)

A PROPOSAL

to the

CARNEGIE CORPORATION OF NEW YORK

April 4, 1968

The Southern Regional Council was organized in 1944 as a private agency for regional development, with particular concern for the problems of race relations in the region. Since that time the Council has gained a substantial reputation, particularly for its research and information services.

These functions, research and information, are at the heart of the Council's work. A capable staff of writers, editors, and researchers, operate out of the Atlanta headquarters. Some 20 newspapers are clipped and filed daily, a large number of magazines and journals are read and filed, and a library of basic books, governmental and statistical reports, and the like, are kept up-to-date. These resources are augmented by staff field trips, other field reports, and the use of reporters and scholars on a consultative basis.

This staff assists the media, where we have a sound reputation for objectivity and accuracy, scholars, students and others. It is, too, of course, the basis for most of the Council's publications.

These publications vary considerably in subject matter and format. Some are very substantial and are designed for relative long-term use. Others, usually in the "special report format," are relatively brief and quickly produced because of unique needs or pressing events.

This research and information function has been remarkably effective over the years. For instance, in 1956 a Council publication showing county-by-county figures on Negroes and whites registered in the Southeast was the only information of this nature available when the Congress was debating the first Civil Rights Act. After that bill was passed one senator wrote, "The Council has been of invaluable help to the Congress. In fact, you were able to provide us more valuable information than the Department of Justice."

In the early days of the Kennedy administration the Council produced a substantial document titled, The Federal Executive and Civil Rights. This document outlined the powers of the various parts of the federal establishment and suggested ways in which these powers could be used to eliminate discrimination. The White House ordered 1,000 copies of the document.

For several years we and a number of other groups have attempted to call to the attention of the nation the widespread hunger which exists in the rural areas. We were unsuccessful in this attempt until a report, Hungry Children, was prepared. This report, written by 5 distinguished physicians, documented the conditions of children in rural Mississippi. Subsequently, the doctors were asked to testify before a Senate sub-committee where the Council offered its report as well as photographs taken during the investigation. Among other results, a national magazine did a feature on the subject and a book will be published shortly using this information and the photographs.

Recently, also, the Council has prepared a study for the city of Atlanta on urban planning. This study outlines in detail an ambitious program for the future. It was prepared in cooperation with Dr. C. A. Doxiadis, and should the city wish, we have arranged for Doxiadis Associates to be of further help.

Currently, we are very concerned about the hardening of attitudes and the depths of misunderstanding among the people in this region. We, too, are very concerned about the violence that has occurred, and the potentials which exist for substantially more violence. We have attempted to devote our research and information skills to this problem. We feel one valuable service that can be rendered is to conduct in-depth investigations of crisis situations or situations which seem to us to be potentially of a crisis nature. Earlier in the year there was the tragedy of South Carolina State College at Orangeburg in which 3 students were murdered by the police and a number of others wounded. After investigation the Council quickly produced an objective accounting of what went on and what should be corrected. We believe this report has been helpful to a number of individuals, institutions, and officials. We think, too, it has been helpful to the media to have this explanation of events which caused considerable student reaction throughout the region.

Several weeks ago the Council issued a special report on the situation in Memphis. In this report we attempted to explain that this was much more than a garbage strike, that, indeed, it was a continuation of the civil rights movement. We attempted to point out that unless the leadership of that movement was dealt with responsibly by the city's white leadership, it would be pushed aside by those with more militant tactics. And we further attempted to point out the inevitability of violence if the grievances of the Negro community of Memphis were unmet.

For this work, particularly this immediate, on-the-spot reporting, and the related efforts for greater understanding of the current tragedy, we are hard pressed for funds. Neither our budgets for staff nor printing are adequate to allow us to continue investigations and reports for the remainder of the year at the current level.

Therefore, we respectfully request the consideration of the Carnegie Corporation for funds to allow us to continue and expand the functions as outlined above.

cc: RV
Invoice Rec'd:_______ Amount:___________
Check No:_______
Mailed:_________

April 4, 1968

Governmental Guide
Drawer 299
Madison, Tennessee 37115

RE: May Renewal.

Dear Sirs:

We would like to continue our regular subscription to your guide for another year.

Please bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

April 4, 1968

Mr. Roy L. Swift
Information Officer
Department of Health, Education,
  and Welfare
Social Security Administration
Baltimore, Maryland 21235

Dear Mr. Swift:

Thank you so much for the materials. It was a pleasure meeting and talking with you on your visit to our offices. We will look forward to hearing further from Mr. Demer.

Yours truly,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

April 4, 1968

Mr. Robert L. Terrell
1268 Park Avenue, Apt. 17
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Terrell:

I am so sorry we will not be able to use your poems. I wish it were possible for the decision to be otherwise, but the truth is we publish very little poetry and in the future will likely de-emphasize it even more. I am certain, however, that you can find a market, particularly in magazines that concentrate on protest poetry.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js
Encls.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: VEP - MW

Check No:________
Mailed:__________

April 4, 1968

Congressional Quarterly Service
1735 K Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy each of the following:

CQ Guide to Current American Government	$ 2.00
Politics in America 1945-1966	2.50
TOTAL ----	$ 4.50

Our check is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $4.50 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
for: res. dept.

Invoice Rec'd:________
Check No:_______ Amount:_______
Mailed:_________

April 4, 1968

Mr. Charles B. Thornton
Chairman
Litton Industries
9370 Santa Monica Boulevard
Beverly Hills, California 90210

Dear Mr. Thornton:

We would like a copy of the statement made by the group of business leaders which urged Congress to lower housing barriers for Negroes and minority groups.

Please send us a copy if it is available with a bill, if there is a charge.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
for: res. dept.

Check No:________
Mailed:__________

April 4, 1968

Friendship Press
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Why Black Power?, by Joseph R. Barndt in paperback.

Our check for .95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,'

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $ .95 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
for: res. dept.

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April 4, 1968

Pyramid Publications, Inc.
444 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, The Accidental President, by Robert Sherrill.

Our check for .95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $ .95 check.

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April 4, 1968

Superintendnet of Documents
U. S. Government Printing Office
Washington, D. C. 20402

Dear Sir:

Please send us one copy of the United States Government Organization Manual, 1967-68.

Our check is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $2.00 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA

1 and 2 requested by MW

April 4, 1968

Superintendent of Documents
U. S. Government Printing Office
Washington, D. C. 20402

Dear Sir:

Please send us the following:

Nomination and Election of the President and Vice President of the U. S. 63F/S - Y 1.3:P 92/4/968	.75
Factual Campaign Information 64f/S - Y 1.3:C 15/2/968	.40
Urban America, Goals and Problems Y 4.Ec 7:Ur 1/3	.65
Activities of KKK Organizations in the U. S.	
Part 1 (Y 4.Un 1/2:K 95/pt.1	1.25
Part 2 (Y 4.Un 1/2:K 95/pt.2	1.25
Part 3 (Y 4.Un 1/2:K 95/pt.3	1.75
Part 4 (Y 4.Un 1/2:K 95/pt.4	1.75
Part 5 (Y 4.Un 1/2:K 95/pt.5	1.75
Federal Programs in Job Training and Retraining FS 5.237:37012	.50
Opening Fall Enrollment in Higher Education FS 5.254:54003-67	1.00
TOTAL --	$11.05

Our check is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Research Department

Encl. - $11.05 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: res. dept.

Check No;_________
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April 4, 1968

McGraw-Hill, Inc.
330 West 42nd Street
New York, New York 10036

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Soul on Ice, by Eldridge Cleaver.

Our check for $5.95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $5.95 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

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April 4, 1968

The Herald
Herald Publishing Co., Inc.
P. O. Box 711
Rockhill, South Carolina

Dear Sirs:

Please enter a one-month subscription to the Herald, effectively immediately, and bill us.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: MV - Charge to VEP

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April 4, 1968

League of Women Voters
Education Fund
1200 17th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Madam:

Please send us 100 copies of, Voting Is People Power.

Our check for $25.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $25.00 check.

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April 4, 1968

Broadcasting Yearbook
1735 Desales Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is $10.00 for a copy of the Yearbook.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $10.00 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

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April 4, 1968

Random House
33 West 60th Street
New York, New York 10023

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, The Politics of Liberation in America by Stokely Carmichael and Charles V. Hamilton.

Our check for $4.95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $4.95 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
Requested for: Res. Dept.

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April 4, 1968

Renewal Magazine
116 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60603

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is $4.00 for a one-year subscription to your publication.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $4.00 check.

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Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

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April 4, 1968

Hill and Wang
141 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10010

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is $1.25 for the paperback edition of The Draft? due for publication April 12, 1968.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $1.25 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA

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April 4, 1968

League for Industrial Democracy
112 East 19th Street
New York, New York 10003

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is $5.50 for copies of the publications listed below:

The Urban School Crisis	.75
To Build a New World	.35
The Politics of Poverty	.30
The Economics of Equality	.75
The American Ultras	.75
Democratic Socialism: A New Appraisal	.50
The Age of Automation	.35
TVA and its Critics	.10
The Pathos of "Black Power"	.25
The Problem of the New Left	.25
The Watts "Manifesto" and the McCone Report	.25
The Failure of Urban Renewal	.25
New Styles in Leftism	.20
Mergers and the Concentration of Corporate Power	.10
The Public Facilities Gap	.10
Fear, Frustration, Backlash	.1[illegible]
New Towns for Old	.10
TOTAL	$ 5.50

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

Encl. - $5.50 check.

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Approved: PA

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April 4, 1968

United States National Student
Association
2114 "S" Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20008

Dear Sirs:

Please enter a one-year subscription to your publication, As Is. Our check for $3.50 is enclosed.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $3.50 check.

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Approved: PA

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Mailed:_______

April 4, 1968

Superintendent of Documents
U. S. Government Printing Office
Washington, D. C. 20402

Dear Sir:

Please enter a subscription for us to the Bureau of the Census Catalog. Our check in the amount of $6.75 is enclosed.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $6.75 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Research Department

Check No:________
Mailed:__________

April 4, 1968

Harvard Educational Review
Longfellow Hall
13 Appian Way
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Sirs:

Please send us the special issue, Equal Educational Opportunity, which is devoted to a discussion of the research and policy issues deriving from the recent reports of the U. S. Office of Education (Coleman Report) and the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights.

Our check for $3.25 is enclosed for the paper edition.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $3.25.check.

April 4, 1968

Dear Jerry:

Thanks for your note regarding your pending announcement. Needless to say, you have my full support and my active cooperation to the extent that it does not violate the tax mandate that I am under. That is to say, you say what I can do to help, and I'll get it done.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gerald T. Horton
The Research Group, Inc.
2342 Nat'l Bank of Ga. Bldg.
Atlanta, Georgia

April 4, 1968

The Reverend Melvin Watson
725 Aline Drive, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30318

Dear Dr. Watson:

Pursuant to our conversation on yesterday, I am enclosing a recent publication of SRC "Black Youth in a Southern Metropolis." If this pamphlet meets the needs of your anticipated youth workshop, please let me know and we will be more than happy to furnish you with as many copies as you will need.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

April 4, 1968

Mr. John L. Denman
Manager, Urban Affairs Department
Civic and Governmental Affairs
Ford Motor Company - Room 995
The American Road
Dearborn, Michigan 48121

Dear John:

Just a word of sincere appreciation of the initiative you took in helping me in the purchase of a thunderbird automobile for my spouse. The auto has been ordered, and delivery is expected within a month. Thanks to you, my domestic tranquility is at an all-time high and for a change my wife is extremely pleased with me.

I am sending you under separate cover our recent reports on Memphis and Orangeburg that hopefully will be interesting reading for you.

Thanks again for your kindness.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

April 4, 1968

Miss Patricia White
790 Concourse N. West
Bronx, New York

How well do I remember you and the very delightful conversation we had at the telephone during the time that Bob Palmer and I were in New York. It was good hearing from you and so kind of you to write.

In answer to your question regarding an appointment, be assured that I will see you at your convenience during the time you are here. And will give you whatever assistance I can in seeking employment in this area.

I plan to be in Boston on the 11th and will be returning to Atlanta late the evening of the 11th or early morning on the 12th. In any event, I can see you after 10:00 a. m. on the 12th. If per chance you are planning to ride the night flight to Atlanta (Kennedy airport), it is very likely I will be on that plane. Once my reservations are certain, I will call you, and maybe arrange to fly from New York with you and discuss your plans.

Thanks again for writing, and I look forward to seeing you next week.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

April 4, 1968

Mr. Ben Brown
Atlanta Urban League
239 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Ben:

Here is the material you requested.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 4, 1968

Miss Shirley M. Walker
NAACP Voter Registration Project
2966 Anderson Avenue
Fort Myers, Florida 33901

Dear Miss Walker:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 3. Pursuant to your request for increasing your deposit, our Reporting Requirements stipulate that a project can only be reimbursed for the actual amount expended. However, may I suggest that you continue to submit weekly reports after the books are closed until all commitments are met. This will satisfy your reporting requirements and you will fulfill your obligation to members of your staff. We can continue to make deposits to your project until your balance is depleted.

The present balance in your accountiis $437.03. If after meeting your obligations, whatever funds are left, you are free to resume your project's activities when the books are reopened. However, let us know your decision.

Please do not hesitate to write us if we can be of further service.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

April 4, 1968

The Reverend Thomas D. Walker
Chairman
Hoke County Voter Education Project
208 Reaves Street
Raeford, North Carolina 28376

Dear Mr. Thomas:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly report for the week ending March 30, 1968. In order to comply with the provisions of our Reporting Requirements, we will need supporting documents for all transportation expenditures, office rent and the installation of the telephone.

May we have these at your earliest convenience, so as not to impede the progress of your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

cc: John Edwards

April 4, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Janet Shortt

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please order for VEP CQ Guide to Current American Government ($2.00) and Politics in America, 1945-1966 ($2.50). The order blank is attached.

Many thanks.

April 4, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Vernon Jordan

FROM: Marvin Wall

With regard to the letter from Leslie Burl McLemore, I am increasingly having the feeling that we may be researched to death. We already have Dave Emmons funded for a study in Holmes County, Mississippi, about which I have heard very little lately. It appears to me that Mr. McLemore's study would overlap considerably with Dave's. Additionally I noticed that Mr. McLemore proposes to have at least an adequately funded budget for his thesis research, with such items as $100.00 for books and periodicals, $200.00 for photographic supplies and service mimeographing, and $70.00 for a tape recorder. I have no doubt that his research would turn up something of value, perhaps something very valuable. However, I feel that the matters mentioned in this memo should be taken into consideration.

April 4, 1968

Mrs. Elenora G. Adams
624 - 22nd Street, South
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Mrs. Adams:

By now probably, Weldon Rougeau has been by to see you about using the VEP report forms. I have one other request, and that is that you send us some of the clippings, pictures, etc. involving the news coverage of your project.

Say hello to Sam for us. He did a great job for us in New Orleans.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 4, 1968

Mr. Eugene W. Gore
516 North Lord Street
Southport, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Gore:

I have talked to Mr. Olive, administrative assistant in the Voter Education Project, and it is quite satisfactory to us if you change your budget as outlined in your letter of March 23, 1968. We appreciate your telling us your wish for using the grant to best advantage. Best of luck in your drive.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 4, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Vernon E. Jordan

FROM: Marvin Wall

I talked to Winefred Green yesterday about the possibility that she can get some Vista volunteers in Wilcox County to prepare a "Know Your Alabama Government" booklet. We are hurting for these booklets. A report has just come in from the Liberty Center Community Council in Miami. It says, "it is strongly reccommended that a structured educational program be developed and implemented after the drive is over." In thinking of these internship programs is it possible that we can think more along the lines of using interns to write or assist in writing these pamphlets---maybe with the help with Vista volunteers as suggested by Winefred?

April 4, 1968

Mr. William H. Miles
Associate Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

Dear Bill:

Please allow me to commend you for your excellent reports and for the fine results that you seem to be getting. Keep up the good work.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 4, 1968

Mr. Fred Belfield, Jr.
Director
Nash County Voter Education Project
313 Spruce Street
Rocky Mount, North Carolina 27801

Dear Belfield:

Please allow me to commend you for the thoroughness of your reports and the excellent results which you seem to be getting. Best of luck in the remainder of your drive.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 5, 1968

Mr. John McCown
Executive Director
Georgia Council on Human Relations
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear John:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,500.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid for 1968 to the Georgia Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

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April 5, 1968

The Washington Post
1515 L Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

RE: May Renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please continue the regular subscription for the Southern Regional Council, Inc., for another year, and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

April 5, 1968

Mr. Thomas P. Rock
Hammerman House
Loyola College
Baltimore, Maryland 21210

Dear Mr. Rock:

We have quite a number of requests for information from your classmates. I am enclosing some material which might be helpful to you. It might be wise if you focused on a single county - for example, Shelby - for which details and statistics could be obtained. I happen to know rather extensive figures are available from the County Supervisor of Elections in Shelby County and I suggest that you write directly to him.

Best of luck in your study.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw
Enclosure

April 5, 1968

Mr. William A. Neron
Research Assistant
University of Florida
College of Arts and Sciences
Gainesville, Florida 32601

Dear Mr. Neron:

I am enclosing the most pertinent material I could find in our files that might be of use to you. At the same time, I am sure that you have contacted by now, Mr. Tom Adams, Secretary of State, who has been most helpful and cooperative in providing registration figures by county, by race and by party.

The Voter Education Project will be most interested in seeing the results of your study. If we can assist you in any way, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw
Enclosure

April 5, 1968

Mr. Michael J. Auer
5547 Dolores Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21227

Dear Mr. Auer:

As you probably know, we have quite a number of requests from your classmates. I am sorry to say that we do not have Voter Registration figures for Jackson, Mississippi by precinct and by race. There is an outside chance that you can obtain these figures by writing to the Hinds County Election Office.

I suggest that you also write Mr. Hermel Johnson, who headed a Voter Registration Project in Hinds County last year. His office address was 1072 West Lynch Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

My figures for Hinds County show a Negro registration of 4,756 in 1962, 6,092 in 1964, and 15,663 in 1966. At the moment, I do not find a white registration figure for 1962 in our files. However, the white registration, prior to the 1965 Voting Rights Act was 62,410, in 1966 it was 63,952.

I wish you the best of luck in your study.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research

MW/cw

April 5, 1968

Mr. Burke Marshall
IBM
Armonk, New York

Dear Burke:

Enclosed are several documents per your request. I trust this information will be helpful to you. I shall be forwarding additional materials within a few days. In the meantime, if you have any specific request, do not hesitate to call me.

It was good hearing from you and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

ITEMIZED ENCLOSURES

Exhibit A - Voter Education Project Directors and Chairmen

Exhibit B - Voter Registration in the South Late Fall, 1967

Exhibit C - South Carolina Delegates to National Democratic Convention

Exhibit D - South Carolina Alternates to National Democratic Convention

Exhibit E - Alabama Delegates to National Democratic Convention

Exhibit F - North Carolina Candidates

Exhibit G - Roster of Negro State Legislators

Exhibit H - Compiled VEP Newsletters June 1967 - February 1968

April 6, 1968

Mr. Joseph Pritchett
Chairman
Martinsville-Henry-Patrick County
Voter's Registration Committee
1203 Maxine Road
Martinsville, Virginia

Dear Mr. Pritchett:

I failed to mention in my letter of April 1, 1968, that we would like to have separate reports on the number registered in each of the three localities in which you will be working. We will have separate cards on Martinsville County, Henry County and Patrick County and we would like some indication about the number registered in each of these three localities.

Thank you very much, and best of luck in your registration drive.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

cc: Nils R. Douglas

April 6, 1968

Mr. Richard C. Hoffman
4465 Moreland Avenue, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

In accordance to Mr. Jordan's letter of March 22, 1968, I would like to have a complete report from you for the Emory-LSCRRC Conference on Civil Rights in Urban Areas, which was held on March 22-24, 1968. In addition to a copy of the program, we would like to have news clippings or copies of news clippings, leaflets and other material relating to the conference.

We would also like to have a brief narrative report from you on how the conference is conceived, whether or not you believe the conference was successful and what the conference accomplished or will accomplish.

Please drop by to see us whenever you are downtown.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

MINUTES

of the
Executive Committee Meeting
Southern Regional Council
Atlanta, Georgia

April 6, 1968

The meeting of the Executive Committee convened on April 6th at 10:00 a.m. at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel.

Those present: Mr. Christopher, Dr. Cook, Mr. Dabbs, Dean Gomillion, Dr. Henderson joined the group for lunch only, Mr. Frank Smith, Mr. John Wheeler, Miss Wilkins, Dr. Williams, and Dr. Raymond Wheeler, presiding.

Professional staff present: Messrs. Anthony, Wood, Jordan, Smith, Boone, Anderson, Stanfield, and Mrs. Ruth Vick.

The meeting was formally called to order at 10:15 a.m. at which time Dr. Wheeler pointed out there would be some minor changes on the agenda.

The minutes of the January 27, 1968 meeting were unanimously approved and adopted, and the Resolution on SRC's Tax Exemption was referred to. Because a copy of the Resolution was not available for signatures, names of the members were affixed to a separate sheet to be attached to the office copy of this document and filed with the official record of these minutes.

Because of the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., which had occurred two days prior to this meeting, Dr. Wheeler pointed out what might be dire consequences for the region and the nation in light of this tragedy.

Since members were not aware of recent developments in Atlanta since Dr. King's death, Mr. Jordan was asked to bring the Committee up-to-date since he had been actively functioning on a committee with key persons in SCLC and the immediate family in making final funeral arrangements.

After hearing Mr. Jordan's report, Mr. Anthony informed the Committee of the Council's decision to be as helpful as it could to SCLC and the immediate family by offering the Council's services and facilities in anyway they could be used. He pointed out that the staff had responded readily to this idea, and had volunteered its services on Friday afternoon and was prepared to become as involved as it could for as long as its services were needed.

At this point Dr. Wheeler brought to the attention of the Committee a statement, prepared earlier by the staff, for its consideration, hopefully to be issued in the name of the Council on the death of Dr. King. With unanimous agreement by the Committee on the importance of issuing such a statement, but feeling that several revisions were called for, the Committee requested Dr. H. Franklin Williams of Florida and Mr. Robert Anderson of the staff to leave the meeting room to re-draft the statement, reflecting members' suggestions and revisions, for re-submission to the Committee later in the meeting.

Mrs. Johnson was asked to work with Dr. Williams and Mr. Anderson, and Mr. Anthony accepted the responsibility for recording the remainder of the meeting.

The Committee requested that telegrams be sent to Mrs. Martin Luther King, Jr. and to Dr. King, Sr. Following is the text of those messages:

> The members of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council, in session today in Atlanta, wish you to know that our hearts go out to you. We share your deep grief. And, your loss is no greater than the loss of the nation. We pledge our continued faith in Dr. King's ideals and goals and we pledge our renewed efforts to carry on his great work.
>
> /S/ John H. Wheeler
> President
> Southern Regional Council
>
> Raymond M. Wheeler, M.D.
> Chairman
> Executive Committee

There followed a very brief report on the joint conference sponsored by the Council and the A. Philip Randolph Institute in Atlanta on February 23 - 25.

Mr. Anthony reported on a recent proposal from the Committee of Southern Churchmen in which the Committee had offered to give to the SRC approximately 400 acres of land in western North Carolina, located near Asheville. Mr. Anthony further reported that the Council had provided the Committee of Southern Churchmen $1,700 to pay taxes on the property so that it could be secure until such time as a decision was made about future ownership. There followed considerable discussion about the merits of this proposal and what SRC might do with the property if it were accepted.

The following motion was made, seconded, and unanimously adopted:

> That the contribution of $1,700 to the Committee of Southern Churchmen be ratified and that the Southern Regional Council accept title to the 400 acres of land near Asheville, North Carolina offered by the Committee. Provided it can be ascertained we are receiving a good, indivisible, and unencumbered title.

It was informally agreed by the Committee that if the property is accepted, subject to the conditions of the above resolution, very likely it would be some time before any substantial investment is made in development of it. The feeling of the Executive Committee was that present needs are so urgent that any funds available should be channelled directly into program and not into property development.

Mr. Anthony reported to the Committee on fund-raising efforts, particularly those related to the Ford Foundation. He expressed disappointment that very likely the Foundation board would not be able to act on the Council's proposal for the period 1969-1971 until its September, 1968 meeting. He also expressed his intention to devote a major portion of his time in the spring and early summer in trying to broaden the base of the Council's financial support. In expressing this hope, he made it clear that he was not optimistic about the results but, nevertheless, felt the effort should be made. The Committee expressed its approval of these plans.

A revised draft of the statement on the death of Dr. King, reflecting the changes as requested by the Committee, was presented by Dr. Williams. The draft was discussed at length and several additional changes were made by the full Committee. Thereafter, the statement as follows was unanimously approved and adopted:

> The assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. once again reveals the psychosis of violence and the cancer of racism in American society. Once again, America is stained with the blood of a courageous and noble leader, with the tragedy of a husband and father senselessly destroyed. His murder violates the ideals for which he stood, ideals which express the great tradition of America.
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> This is not the time for bitter unrestrained recriminations against the society which killed Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., but rather the time for all of us to pay heed at last to all that has already been said to the conscience of the nation in the grim, ghastly past -- at the murders of John F. Kennedy, Medgar Evers, of the four little children in a Birmingham Sunday School, and so many others.
>
> This is the time for white America to forego lecturing black Americans against violating the non-violent philosophy to which Dr. King's life will stand as a memorial for all time. Let white America for once concede to black America strength and dignity sufficient to make that decision without advice or admonishment. Let white America acknowledge that black Americans, as Dr. King has proved, have equal moral personality as human beings and have the qualities of leadership and courage and dignity which all Americans need.

> The life of Dr. King transcends the violence done throughout his career to the American ideals for which he stood and the final obscene violence to him. His leadership during his life and the pangs of conscience white America feels in his death give all Americans the chance -- and perhaps the last chance -- to make the choice between the kind of society for which Dr. King lived and died, and the kind of society which denies equal opportunity and relies on force above justice and equity. If America cannot produce leadership toward the society that Dr. King saw in his dream for America, then America is finished.
>
> Let white America look into its own heart.

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After further considerable discussion the Committee unanimously voted to instruct the staff to place the above statement as one-half page advertisements in the New York Times, the Atlanta Constitution, and the Atlanta Journal to appear on Tuesday, April 9th, the day of Dr. King's funeral.

Following lunch the Committee removed from the agenda the executive session, and invited the staff to remain in the meeting. At that time, Mr. Anthony and Mr. Jordan reported on the details of the offer of a 4-month fellowship to Mr. Jordan from the John Fitzgerald Kennedy School of Government, Institute of Politics, at Harvard. Mr. Jordan reported that he would like to spend the four months at Harvard where he has also been asked to conduct a class in southern politics and Negro political leadership. The Institute would pay Mr. Jordan's salary and would provide him with adequate travel funds for trips to Atlanta at least once a month. Mr. Jordan expressed confidence that he could continue to offer direction to the Voter Education Project during this four-month period. Mr. Anthony concurred in this expression, and urged the Committee to approve the leave of absence. The Committee gave its approval of this request and congratulated Mr. Jordan on the honor.

The last item on the agenda -- SRC-State Councils Relationships -- was postponed at the request of the Chairman, who expressed the feeling that the tragedy of Dr. King's assassination had so affected the members of the Committee and the staff that he felt it unnecessary and inappropriate to proceed with routine business.

The Committee agreed, and with deep grief over the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

April 8, 1968

Mrs Kay Moran
Stephen Street
Sligo, Ireland

Dear Mrs. Moran:

This is to request information and brochures on the Ninth International Yates Summer School to be held in Ireland. Please send the information as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

Weldon Rougeau
Field Director

WR/cw

April 8, 1968

Miss Eloise Moreland
Consultant for Racial Justice
National Student Young Women's
Christian Association of the U.S.A.
600 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Miss Moreland:

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In addition to your reports on voter registration we will need a report from you also on your citizenship education activities. This also should state the number of people contacted, the meetings held, problems encountered, results accomplished, etc.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

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Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 8, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

The easiest way to explain our reporting requirements is to enclose a copy of the minutes of a meeting we held here February 7, 1968 for directors of the statewide projects. Please let me know if there are any questions.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

cc: Nils Douglas

April 8, 1968

Mrs. Kathleen W. Peters
The Student Christian Movement
in New York State
Room 708
3 West 29th Street
New York, New York 10001

Dear Mrs. Peters:

Enclosed are the two reports you requested. There is no charge for sending them to you.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 8, 1968

Mr. Ernest A. Finney, Jr.
16½ West Liberty Street
Sumter, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Finney:

Thank you for your quick response to my letter.

Dr. King's death has rearranged so many lives that I will make no attempt to call you at the time you specified.

Instead, I hope to call you near the end of this week to see whether we can set up another date and time.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

April 8, 1968

Mr. B. A. Cephas
3304 Edgewood Avenue
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Cephas:

Thank you for your kind letter.

The events of last week have so rearranged so many lives that I will make no attempt to call you on April 9.

I will be calling you sometime this week to try and arrange another date.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

April 8, 1968

Mr. Robert Lee Williams
Route 2, Box 102
Lorman, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Williams:

Thank you for your kind answer to my letter.

I am afraid that the events of the past week will make it difficult for me to come to Mississippi.

I had planned a trip for the first part of next week, and had hoped to talk to people in Jackson, in Issaquena County, and in Greenville.

Now I have nearly called that trip off. Dr. King's murder has changed so many plans of so many people, and I now wonder whether or not I could conduct a telephone interview with you.

If you don't have a telephone, please let me know when you can be at someone else's phone, and I will arrange my schedule to fit yours.

I hope we can arrange something that will not discomfort you too much.

If you want to suggest a time, please call me collect at: area code 404 - 524-0080.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

April 8, 1968

Mr. Eddie Davis
Weyanoke Post Office
Weyanoke, Louisiana 70787

Dear Mr. Davis:

Many thanks for your quick answer to my letter.

Because of recent events, it would be difficult for me to contact you on the 11th, the date you suggested.

Could we put it forward to the 12th?

In any case, I will try to reach you with a quick call on the 11th to see if the new day will fit into your schedule.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

April 8, 1968

Attorney C. B. King
830 Lincoln Avenue
Albany, Georgia 31701

Dear Attorney King:

Many thanks for your prompt response to my letter.

May I call you later in the day on the 17th, instead of at 2:00 as you indicated in your reply?

I will try to call you between now and then to make sure this will fit into your schedule.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

April 8, 1968

Mr. Frank Loescher
Executive Director
U. S. - South Africa Leader Exchange
    Program
101 S. 39th Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104

Dear Frank:

At the request of John Wheeler we are having sent to you, under separate cover, 30 copies of a speech which Vernon Jordan recently gave before the foundation's luncheon club in New York.

Hope all is going well with you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mr. John H. Wheeler

Reading file

April 8, 1968

Mrs. Kirk Johnson
3411 Northmoor Road
Memphis, Tennessee 38128

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

Thank you for your letter of April 6. We shall send you 18 copies of the report by parcel post tomorrow. (Our office is officially closed today.)

Yes, we did send the report to the news media, mayors and other city officials over the South, state government officials, labor leaders, and several other categories. I am afraid you are right, however, that the general public is far from understanding what the strike and protest in Memphis is all about.

We here are appreciative of your understanding, concern, and willingness to help.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield

April 10, 1968

Reverend J. Alfred Curry
President
Kershaw County Voter Registration Council
820 Chesnut Street
Camden, South Carolina

Dear Reverend Curry:

Thank you for your report of March 12, 1968, which was passed along to me by Mr. Oliver.

corrected

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

April 10, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send ten (10) copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the State Councils on Human Relations. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

April 10, 1968

MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 100 copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the four VEP statewide voter education projects. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

April 10, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please mail the new VEP newsletter to all addresses in the VEP plates.

Also please mail to addresses in the following categories:

1. Board

2. FRC

4. Intergroup

5. Labor

7. Libraries

Many thanks.

April 10, 1968

Mr. Thomas D. Walker
Chairman
Hoke County Voter Education Project
208 Reaves Street
Raeford, North Carolina 28376

Dear Mr. Walker:

I am taking the liberty of sending a copy of your letter of April 1, 1968, to John Edwards of the North Carolina Voter Education Project in case you have not already sent him this report.

Thank you for your excellent reports. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw

April 10, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear John:

I am sending a copy of this report from Hoke County to you in case you have not already received it. It would seem to me that these are legitimate complaints about the behavior of the county registrar.

I am also enclosing a copy of a report from Nash County.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/cw
Enclosures

April 10, 1968

Mr. Sylvan Meyer
The Daily Times
308 Spring Street, S. W.
Gainesville, Georgia 30501

Dear Sylvan:

Thank you for sending your good editorial on Dr. King. It said what needs to be said.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

April 10, 1968

Subscription Department
The Louisiana Weekly
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Sirs:

On March 7, 1968, we wrote to you requesting a one-year subscription to your paper in the name of the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., and asked to be billed.

To date, we have not received an invoice so that the mail delivery could begin. Could you please check on this and begin processing our request as soon as possible?

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

VIA AIR MAIL

April 10, 1968

Society for Applied Anthropology
Human Organization
Lafferty Hall-University of Kentucky
Lexington, Kentucky 40506

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VIA AIR MAIL

April 10, 1968

The Washington Post
Subscription Department
1515 L Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Sirs:

On February 13, 1968, we wrote to you requesting a one-year subscription for the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., to be mailed in care of Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr. for the Sunday and daily editions, and asked to be billed.

To date, we have not received an invoice so that the mail delivery could begin. Could you please check on this and begin processing our request as soon as possible?

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
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jcs

April 10, 1968

Mrs. Madeline Low
417 Park Avenue, West
Apartment #8
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mrs. Low:

Mrs. Jane Lee Eddy has told me of your interest in the Voter Education Project, directed by Mr. Vernon Jordan, and has suggested that I share with you the enclosed report of that work.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

April 10, 1968

Mr. Frederick B. Routh
Executive Director
National Association of Intergroup
Relations Officials
2027 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Fred:

I am so sorry to hear about your aunt. I hope her ordeal and yours will be over soon.

Tried to call you on Sunday morning to get a first-hand account of what was happening in Washington.

Hope to see you soon. In fact, I am scheduled to be in Washington very briefly for a meeting at the British Embassy at 5:00 p.m. on April 18. Will let you know my schedule later.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 10, 1968

Mr. William C. Archie
Executive Director
Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, Inc.
Reynolda
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Archie:

We are today sending a copp of the Voter Education Project's annual report to the directors of the Foundation.

I well sympathize with the problems of your agenda, and very much appreciate your efforts to include our request on it.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 10, 1968

Mr. Eugene Patterson
Editor
The Atlanta Constitution
10 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Gene:

Of the thousands of words I have read on Martin Luther King's assassination, your comments this morning were the most pertinent and the most meaningful. I hope you will continue to express these thoughts frequently.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 10, 1968

Mr. John W. Gardner
Executive Director
The Urban Coalition
Federal Bar Building, West
1819 "H" Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Gardner:

On Monday evening S.C.L.C. sent out a number of telegrams to persons invited to the funderal services for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at Ebenezer Baptist Church. Some of these telegrams were sent in care of us because of the time factor. For some reason one addressed to you was included among those. Regrettably, we were unable to locate you and deliver the wire. However, I did want you to know that you were among the small number of persons invited to attend the private services.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

Same ltr
to 13 remaining
Bd members of
Mary Reynolds Babcock Fd.

April 10, 1968

Mrs. Katharine B. Mountcastle
President
Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation
Indian Spring Trail
Darien, Connecticut 06820

Dear Mrs. Mountcastle:

The enclosed report on the Voter Education Project is being sent to you at the request of Dr. William C. Archie.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

April 11, 1968

Mrs. Nan Brennan
Secretary to Mr. Herbert Davidson
Daytona Beach News-Journal
Daytona Beach, Florida 32014

Dear Mrs. Brennan:

In reply to your letter of April 8. Mr. Davidson was elected to Board membership in November, 1948. He has been re-elected four times since then, serving four consecutive 4-year terms; his valuable service on the Council, therefore, adds up to 20 years.

Mr. Davidson's current term expires this year at which time it is almost unquestionable but that he will be re-elected a fifth time, and we hope he will continue to feel disposed to serve with us.

If we can be of any further help to you, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

April 11, 1968

Dr. L. E. Noble, Jr.
Professor of Political Science
Southwestern at Memphis
Memphis, Tennessee 38112

Dear Dr. Noble:

This is to acknowledge your letter of April 10 which you accuse me of a "whitewash of the Memphis police department" and of being a "white who does not live in the community."

The latter charge happens to be true. The former is not and could only be made by one who has not read the report carefully.

I refer you particularly to pages 9, 10, and 11, which record in some detail police excesses on Friday, February 23, and to pages 27-32 which in the main reflect the brutality of Memphis' police through the comments of citizens. I trust your letter is not an objection, specifically, to our "giving the devil his due" by recording a single decent act by Commissioner Holloman to correct a non-decent act by two police officers. I call that objectivity, not "white wash." In addition, I call your attention to the whole tenor of the report and to comments and quotations, salted throughout it, to the effect that police excesses are a major source of the trouble in Memphis and one of the chief complaints of Negro citizens of Memphis.

Finally, in case you have not seen it, I send herewith a copy of our March 3 supplement, which notes police brutality in response to the outbreak of window smashing during the March 28 demonstration.

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director of Field Activities

JES/cl

Enclosure

April 11, 1968

Mr. Arnold Liebowitz
U. S. Department of Commerce
Economic Development Administration
Washington, D. C. 20230

Dear Arnold:

Goofed again! I just noticed we recently assigned you to the Bureau of the Census. I hope you have gotten my letter of April 1. If not, a copy is enclosed.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM April 11, 1968

Bernice,

Please package up 30 copies of **MEMPHIS** and send to Mrs. Clarie Harvey. (Label attached)

thanx, mmj

April 11, 1968

Dear Reese:

Your column Wednesday on the funeral march was to my mind the best thing you've ever done.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters

Mr. Reese Cleghorn
c/o The Atlanta Journal
10 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

P. S. Ditto.

js

April 11, 1968

Mr. Charles G. Tate
c/o Harley E. Venters, Atty. at Law
603 First National Bldg.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102

Dear Mr. Tate:

I am enclosing copies of court decisions involving the activities of ex-governor George C. Wallace. They are indicative of the kind of legislation Mr. Wallace advocated. A new book by Robert Sherrill entitled Southern Gothics contains a lengthy interview with Wallace. You might also find some of his speeches in Vital Speeches of the Day, copies of which should be at the public library.

I apologize for having so little material for you, but there was just not enough time to get more. Should you need further material later, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

Enclosures: several

cc: RV
Requested by: PA

Check No:__________
Mailed:____________

April 11, 1968

Louisiana State University Press
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

Dear Sirs:

Please send us four (4) copies of, The Emergence of the New South, 1913-1945, by George B. Tindall, at $12.50 each.

Our check for $50.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $50.00 check.

April 11, 1968

Ms. Virginia Guy
Flare News International
1028 Connecticut Avenue
Washington, D. C.   20036

Dear Ms. Guy:

Thank you, but your offer of a news service would not fit our needs. Please do not send any materials.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

April 11, 1968

Miss Perrin Hurst
40 Main Hall
Randolph-Macon Woman's College
Lynchburg, Virginia 24504

Dear Miss Hurst:

Thank you so much for writing us and sending us a background resume'. Unfortunately at this point we have no staff vacancies; however, should any develop within the next few weeks, we will be delighted to have you in for a personal interview.

We will keep your resume' on file.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

VEP-68-59

April 11, 1968

~~Mr. Willie Bolton~~
~~c/o~~ Mr. Robert Howard
391 Oak Street
~~Social Circle~~, Georgia
Monroe

Dear Mr. Bolton:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Community Organization for Progress and Education for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in the Social Circle, Georgia area. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from April 15 to June 10, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
(7) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	840.00
Transportation		500.00
Printing and Postage		90.00
Secretary	@ $25.00 per week	200.00
Supplies		50.00
		$2,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements.directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples or materials,,leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/cw
Enclosure

cc: Mr. John McCown

April 11, 1968

Miss Vita Baker
Horry-Georgetown Economic Opportunity Council, Inc.
Post Office Box 671
Conway, South Carolina

Dear Miss Baker:

Enclosed are the copies of "Know Your Rights" which you requested. If I can be of further service please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 11, 1968

Mr. Eugene W. Gore
Southport Branch, NAACP
516 Lord Street
Southport, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Gore:

We have received your report for the period March 23 - 30, 1968 on a NAACP report form. For our convenience in filing your reports we ask that you use the VEP report forms which you should have received by now. We are sending additional VEP report forms to you under separate cover in case you need more.

Best of luck in your registration drive.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 11, 1968

Mr. James R. Capra
Assistant to Sen. Dominick
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Capra:

Thank you for your letter of April 8. I am enclosing some registration information by states for years prior to 1966. We have pre-act registration figures for counties in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, South Carolina, and Louisiana. However, Alabama is the only state for which we have these figures in printed form. I am enclosing a news release dated May 20, 1966 which gives the Alabama figures by county.

May I suggest that you write us and let us know the counties for which you need pre-act figures. It would be quite an undertaking at this point to type up these figures but we could do that if necessary. We will stand by until we hear something further from you.

Best wishes in your study. If we can be of further service please let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 11, 1968

Mr. Wallace C. Blackwell
Person County Voters League
Route 3, Box 487-A
Roxboro, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

This is acknowledge receipt of your weekly report for the period ending March 30. In order to comply with the provisions of our Reporting Requirements we will need supporting documents for the following items:

Office Equipment	$ 34.20
Gasoline Receipts from Mrs. Nellie McIver	18.00

We will reimburse the account as soon as we have this information.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TOLmlj

cc: John Edwards

April 11, 1968

Mr. John W. Edwards
Greene County Voter Education Project
Route 3, Box 69
Snow Hill, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Edwards:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your weekly report of April 6. In order to comply with the provisions of our Reporting Requirements we will need the signature of the person responsible for this project.

May we have this as your earliest convenience so as not to impede the progress of your program.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

April 11, 1968

Mr. Alex Alford
Progressive Democrats
P. O. Box 412
Georgetown, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Alford:

In order to comply with the provisions of our Reporting Requirements we will need supporting documents for the following items that you are to be reimbursed:

(1)	High Market Street Shell Station	$ 15.00
(2)	Georgetown Times - office supplies	12.00

May we have these at your earliest convenience so that these bills may be paid.

We will reimburse the account as soon as we have this information.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

April 11, 1968

Mr. Joe S. Merry
156 Pine Street
Jackson, Tennessee 38301

Dear Mr. Merry:

Please accept my apoloty for the delay in responding to your letter of March 25. Pursuant to your request enclosed are copies of our guidelines.

If we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

April 12, 1968

Mr. Milton Ellerin
The American Jewish Committee
Institute of Human Relations
165 East 56th Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Milton:

We're re-working the Sherrill manuscript and a copy will be sent you on Monday of next week. I'm getting very weary of that manuscript, published or unpublished.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 12, 1968

Miss Mae Green
A Philip Randolph Educational Fund
217 West 125th Street
New York, New York 10027

Dear Miss Green:

Enclosed are my expenses for the Young Militants Conference of March 29-31.

Air travel	$115.50
Lodging	137.59
	$253.09

You should make check payable to the Southern Regional Council.

I am also returning the plane ticket from Sarah Marquis Travel Service, it arrived too late.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosures 3

bcc: Ruth Vick

April 12, 1968

Mr. Eli Evans
Carnegie Corporation of New York
437 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Eli:

It occurred to me that you might be especially interested in the current issue of New South, which is enclosed. You might also be interested in knowing we have just completed arrangements with the Atlanta News Agency to place, on an experimental basis, copies of the magazine on airport newsstands around the country. An earlier experiment at the Atlanta Airport saw the sale of 175 copies in a matter of days.

We can only hope that one of the things coming out of the terrible tragedy of last week will be a more realistic acceptance of information on the part of the white people of this country. Initial reactions have given us some faint hope that this is the case.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

April 12, 1968

Mr. Calvin Kytle
Senior Associate
David Apter & Associates
1145 - 19th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Calvin:

Forgive me for not responding sooner to the materials you sent on the Virginia campaign -- I had wanted to read them before replying. They are extremely well done and if there is the right follow-up in Virginia I have no doubt the campaign will be successful. And, ironically, the terrible tragedy of last week may actually spur more white folks to both a realistic and compassionate step.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 12, 1968

Mr. Aubrey Brown, Jr.
Editor
The Presbyterian Outlook
512 East Main Street
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Aubrey:

Please forgive me the delay in answering your letter. Needless to say, the tragedy of last week had us all caught up.

Enclosed is the requested list of names and addresses of the state directors. You are correct, the lady in South Carolina is Mrs. Alice Spearman. Alice is now retired and can be written to at her home address -- 3401 Brookwood Court, Columbia, S. C., 29204.

I believe for your purposes,and if time permits, the National Conference on Social Welfare will be your best source of information. Enclosed is their Conference Bulletin which is filled with the names you seek. As soon as you have finished with it, please return it to me since I am speaking at their annual forum soon.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

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Enclosure - 1.

April 12, 1968

Mrs. Jane Lee Eddy
Taconic Foundation, Inc.
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Jane Lee:

Enclosed is what I trust is a sufficiently formal letter to place our request before your Board at such time as you find it convenient to do so.

It is somewhat later than I had hoped, but as you can well imagine, our minds as well as our hearts have been completely devoted to the terrible tragedy of this past week.

Immediately afterthe assassination I felt this was the final blow. For some time I have been increasingly discouraged and despondent. Now, ironically, I sense some faint hope. It seems as though people are beginning to reassess their positions. We can only hope that whites will continue to respond positively and to reinject the old dream of love, as well as statistics.

Hope to see you soon.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

April 12, 1968

Mrs. Jane Lee Eddy
Taconic Foundation, Inc.
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Eddy:

This is to request the consideration of the Foundation in continued support of two of our basic needs at the level of $25,000 each for 1968. These needs are, of course, our general operations and our Grants-in-Aid Program in support of the state Councils on Human Relations.

As we discussed earlier, should the Foundation wish we will be happy to draw these funds from our reserve fund, which is slightly larger than the amount here suggested, and await payment until such time in the future as you find it convenient to reimburse us.

Should the Foundation wish a year's lapse in one or both of these grants, I believe next year would be a more convenient time for that lapse than this one. This is especially true with the Grants-in-Aid Program.

Any consideration you can give to continuing this support will be most deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 12, 1968

Dr. Robert Coles
Coolidge Road
Concord, Massachusetts

Dear Bob:

Recently you received from me an invitation to a joint meeting in New York to be held on April 29th. Subsequently, I promised Norman Perlstein, of the Brotherhood-in Action, that I would inquire as to whether or not you would present a brief summary on the life of the newly arrived migrant. I had no heart, given this week, to make this inquiry before today, but if by chance you can, we would very much appreciate it.

Best to all.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 12, 1968

Professor Eli Gimzberg
Conservation of Human Resources
Columbia University
New York, New York 10027

Dear Eli:

I certainly understand why you can't be with us, but am sorry.

It was a tragic week, and we are all still in a state of shock about it. The only thing to be said for this terrible tragedy is that there seems to be a reassessment, particularly on the part of the white people of this country. If this reassessment is sound, and reaction continues to be positive, then we may have now a new and badly needed "ball game."

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 12, 1968

Miss Mary Avis Todd
Associate Professor
School of Social Work
University of Alabama
P. O. Box 1935
University, Alabama 35486

Dear Miss Todd:

We will be happy to place you on our mailing list.

Under separate cover I am having sent to you the most recent issue of our quarterly magazine, New South. I hope you find it of interest.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 12, 1968

Mr. M. G. Dushine
3 Peter Cooper Road
New York, New York 10010

Dear Mr. Dushine:

Thank you for your thoughtful note concerning the advertisement of the statement issued by our Executive Committee.

Under separate cover we are sending you a copy of the most recent issue of our quarterly magazine, New South. I hope it will be of interest to you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 12, 1968

Mrs. Kathryn Lacey
CSA Office Secretary
320 North West Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Mrs. Lacey:

Please accept our apologies for the delay in complying with your request for 100 copies of Mr. Jordan's speech "New Forces of Political Power."

Presently, we do not have available 100 copies; however, under separate cover we are forwarding 25 copies, and if you find these do not suffice your need, let me know and I'll see what else I can do.

Please give Mrs. Harvey my regards.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

/nm

April 12, 1968

Mr. E. C. Harrison
Dean of the University
Southern University
Southern Branch Post Office
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dean Harrison:

This is to confirm my acceptance of your kind invitation to address the Southern University Conference on "The Problems of the Negro in the Central City of the South" on Saturday, April 20, on Southern's campus in Baton Rouge.

I plan to arrive in Baton Rouge on Friday around noon, but unfortunately will have to depart at 11:45 a. m. on Saturday. Therefore, I hope that my talk can be scheduled so as to facilitate my travel schedule. I am sorry to have to leave so early, but I have a commitment to the Southeast Regional Office of the NAACP that same evening in Tampa.

I look forward to seeing you on the 20th.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

April 12, 1968

Mr. James Cunningham
Professor
Universityoof Pittsburgh
402 Bruce Hall
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

Pursuant to your verbal request, I am enclosing Mr. Jordan's ticket to Pittsburgh last month.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

/nm
Enclosure

April 12, 1968

Mr. Robert Howard
Community Organization for
Progress and Education
391 Oak Street
Monroe, Georgia 30655

Dear Mr. Howard:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 15, 1968

William M. Moldoff, Esquire
234 E. 53rd Street
New York, New York 10022

My dear Mr. Moldoff:

The Southern Regional Council is a body of 100 Southerners concerned with regional development and achieving equality for all the region's people. Toward that end a staff of some 40 persons is employed in our office at the above address. Enclosed is a list of our members.

Under separate cover we are sending you several of our publications which will further indicate our activities.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 15, 1968

Mr. H. S. Hank Brown
President
Texas AFL-CIO
Box MM, Capitol Station
308 West 11th Street
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Hank:

Thank you for your thoughtful note about the Council's statement and for the information on the commendable action on the part of the Texas AFL-CIO regarding the scholarship established in Dr. King's name.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 15, 1968

Mr. August VandenBosche
Executive Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

Dear Augie:

I know how discouraging life in this business can be, but I hope you won't become so discouraged that you will give up.

No man in this business can do a better job under more difficult circumstances than you can and are doing.

With all best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mrs. Henrine W. Banks

April 15, 1968

Mr. McGeorge Bundy
President
The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mac:

Vernon and I very much appreciate your letter, as we did the opportunity to be with you on Tuesday.

I share with you the reluctance for first names on first exposure. However, I share too the sense that Tuesday created an abnormal situation for those of us who assembled genuinely for grief and respect for Martin King.

Before the assassination last Thursday some of us were becoming very discouraged at our inability to more effectively influence events which were becoming increasingly tragic. And, the assassination increased this. However, on Tuesday -- perhaps out of grief -- I sensed a camaraderie among the people in the march which hadn't been present in the civil rights movement for the last several years. Since then the same feeling seems to have spread throughout the country. Perhaps this is a new beginning. If so, I hope we can, with urgency, take advantage of, and contribute to, it.

If ever we can be of assistance to you or to the Foundation, we would consider it a privilege.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 15, 1968

Mr. Thomas H. Gibbson, Jr.
National Catholic Conference for
    Interracial Justice
Project Equality Council
1307 South Wabash Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60605

Dear Mr. Gibbons:

It is very likely that Pat and I will be available on May 3rd. I hope to see you then.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 15, 1968

Mr. Joseph Clark
936 East 26th Street
Brooklyn 10, New York

Dear Mr. Clark:

Thank you for taking the time to write at length about the statement issued by our Executive Committee which appeared in the New York *Times*.

In essence, I think, what the Committee was attempting to say was that it does not behoove whites to continue lecturing Negro Americans about non-violence because as Dr. King and others like him have so eloquently proved Negroes are perfectly capable of addressing themselves to that question. And, I believe, the Committee was trying to say further that this tragedy was one final proof of the urgency with which the majority of the people of this country must move with real determination to correct longstanding evils and to create, once and for all, a unified and democratic society.

Never have I seen a group of sincere and concerned people look more deeply into their souls than did the members of this committee at the meeting at which they wrote the statement.

Let me hasten to assure you that none of us here are happy with what we have so far accomplished, and we are more than aware that we do not have all the answers.

You may be interested in a statement issued by our Executive Committee somewhat earlier. It is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

April 15, 1968

Mr. Robert Anderson
334 McMillan Road
Grosse Pointe, Michigan [illegible]8236

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Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

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P. S. -- We are sharing your letter with Mr. McGill.

PA

April 15, 1968

Mr. Hubert J. Kaliski
Maxim Chemical Company, Inc.
45 John Street
New York, New York 10038

Dear Mr. Kaliski:

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Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 15, 1968

Mr. Edward Krim
Federal Bureau of Investigation
275 Peachtree Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Krim:

Enclosed are the several communications resulting from our ad in the New York Times of Tuesday, April 9. If in time you find you have no further use for them, we would appreciate having them returned. If you find you would like to keep them, you may do so.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

April 15, 1968

Mr. Milton Ellerin
The American Jewish Committee
Institute of Human Relations
165 East 56th Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Ellerin:

In Mr. Anthony's absence I have been asked to send you the enclosed four pages of revisions to the Alabama section of the Robert Sherrill piece. Otherwise, the manuscript sent to you recently is up-dated.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ/
Enclosures

April 15, 1968

Mr. Richard Lyle
Acting Director
The Atlanta Urban League, Inc.
239 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Lyle:

I regret that I will be in Washington on Thursday, and cannot attend your meeting. However, please know that I and all of us here would like to cooperate with you in any way possible. Also, as you may know, the Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta has plans somewhat along the lines expressed in your letter of April 12, and the Atlanta Community Relations Commission may also be planning something of this nature. You may want to check with them before you complete your own arrangements.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 15, 1968

Mr. Alba Ryan
75 East 165th Street, Apartment 4E
Bronx, New York 10452

Dear Mr. Ryan:

Thank you so much for your contribution in honor of Dr. King. In time, we hope to make a financial contribution to either SCLC or to some work of Mrs. King's. We will see that your contribution is represented in any financial support we provide.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Receipt)

via air mail   April 15, 1968

Mr. Harold C. Fleming
President
Potomac Institute, Inc.
1501 - 18th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Harold:

Norman Perlstein and I need a meeting place on Friday morning, April 19th, in Washington. May we use your facilities? Don't bother to answer, since I will show up at the Potomac Institute shortly after 9:00 a.m. on Friday, and meet them there whatever your circumstances.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 15, 1968

Mr. John G. Keller
Manager
School & Library Department
Little, Brown and Company Publishers
34 Beacon Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02106

Dear Mr. Keller:

Thank you for sharing a copy of Robert Coles's CHILDREN OF CRISIS. I have waited to respond after I had an opportunity to read the book. Dr. Coles has again proved that he is an authority in his subject and an incredibly fine writer. DEAD END SCHOOL adds a new dimension to that proof.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 15, 1968

Mr. Irving E. Carlyle
Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Carlyle:

Thank you for your comments on the statement by the Executive Committee. It will be shared with them.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

Southern
, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.
A 30303
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PAUL ANTHONY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A Council to attain the ideals and practices of equal opportunity for all peoples in the South

MEMORANDUM April 15, 1968

To: Members of the Southern Regional Council

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Director

Although we sent you last week the text of the Statement on the Death of Dr. King, issued by the Executive Committee on April 6th, and which was run in the New York *Times*, the Atlanta *Journal*, and the Atlanta *Constitution* on Tuesday, April 9th, we thought you might wish to see the actual copy as it appeared in the New York *Times*.

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A STATEMENT ON THE DEATH OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING

Issued by the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council, Inc., meeting in Atlanta, Georgia, April 6, 1968

The assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., once again reveals the psychosis of violence and the cancer of racism in American society. Once again, America is stained with the blood of a courageous and noble leader, with the tragedy of a husband and father senselessly destroyed. His murder violates the ideals for which he stood, ideals which express the great tradition of America.

This is not the time for bitter and unrestrained recriminations against the society which killed Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., but rather the time for all of us to pay heed at last to all that has already been said to the conscience of the nation in the grim, ghastly past — at the murders of John F. Kennedy, Medgar Evers, of the four little children in a Birmingham Sunday School, and so many others.

This is the time for white America to forego lecturing black Americans against violating the nonviolent philosophy to which Dr. King's life will stand as a memorial for all time. Let white America for once concede to black America strength and dignity sufficient to make that decision without advice or admonishment. Let white America acknowledge that black Americans, as Dr. King has proved, have equal moral personality as human beings and have the qualities of leadership and courage and dignity which all Americans need.

The life of Dr. King transcends the violence done throughout his career to the American ideals for which he stood and the final obscene violence to him. His leadership during his life and the pangs of conscience white America feels in his death give all Americans the chance — and perhaps the last chance — to make the choice between the kind of society for which Dr. King lived and died, and the kind of society which denies equal opportunity and relies on force above justice and equity. If America cannot produce leadership toward the society that Dr. King saw in his dream for America, then America is finished.

Let white America look into its own heart.

Members of the Council

(*denotes Executive Committee)

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Equal Employment Commission
Atlanta, Georgia

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Publisher
Houston Informer
Houston, Texas

Southern Regional Council, Inc., 5 Forsyth St., N.W., Atlanta, Ga. 30303

NEW YORK, TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 1968

April 15, 1968

Mr. George Loft
Associate
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear George:

Thanks so much for your good note. It was a whirlwind trip and I left abruptly when, checking with the hotel, I discovered that check-out time was an hour earlier than I had supposed. I did get to talk with Les on the plane coming down. Perhaps another time we can have some time for a visit.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

April 15, 1968

The U. S. Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C.   20230

Dear Sirs:

We would like a copy of the statement made by the group of business leaders which urged Congress to lower housing barriers for Negroes and minority groups.

Please send us a copy if it is available, and bill us if there is a charge.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

April 15, 1968

Mr. Tommy Walker
Longino and Porter, Printers
196 Marietta Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Tommy:

I just wanted to say how pleased I was with the appearance of the poverty issue of NEW SOUTH. My thanks to you, Ed China, and all others involved. It's a publication we can all be proud of.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

cc: Louis Sylvester

April 15, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Elijah:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,250.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid for 1968 to the Arkansas Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES:rh

Enclosures (2)

April 15, 1968

Mr. August VandenBosche
Executive Director
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

Dear Augie:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,375.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid for 1968 to the Florida Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES:rh

Enclosures (2)

April 15, 1968

Mr. John McCown
Executive Director
Georgia Council on Human Relations
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear John:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,000.00, the quarterly payment on our Rural Advancement Project grant for 1968 to the Georgia Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES:rh

Enclosures (2)

April 16, 1968

Mr. Walter Dancy
Morehouse College
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. Dancy:

I hope some of this will be useful. I have included a good bit of material that is more suggestive of problems that might be attacked than of methods for attacking them.

As I said on the phone, we do have a lot of other material in clippings and the like filed in our research department, and you are of course welcome to use this. We also have a good collection of books that might be useful.

Good luck, and please call on us if we can be of assistance.

Incidentally, another source of information on Atlanta would be the Georgia Council on Human Relations, 52 Fairlie Street, N. W., 525-6468, John McCowan, executive director.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js
Encls.

April 16, 1968

Mrs. Jacqueline B. Bramlette
Hass, Holland, Freeman, Levison
and Gibert
2709 First National Bank Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mrs. Bramlette:

Please send us a copyright registration form for the winter issue of NEW SOUTH, 1968.

Enclosed are two copies for this purpose.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encls. - 2.

April 16, 1968

Dr. Emory F. Via
School for Workers
University of Wisconsin
Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Emory:

Since we had talked earlier about the Ford Foundation moving so slowly on our application, and I had expressed my concern to you about it, I thought you would be interested in the latest developments.

Among those who came down last Tuesday for the funeral were McGeorge Bundy and Mitchell Sviridoff. During the course of the day Sviridoff assured me the delay until September was purely an internal budgetary matter, and that we could count on continued support. He particularly assured me I could proceed with such staff recruitment as was desirable without concern.

The day also afforded an unprecedented opportunity for Vernon and I to spend some time with Bundy and for him to get at least some sense of our existence and our purposes. I feel certain this did no harm for any current or future requests.

Therefore, my good man, go ahead and start arranging with the movers!

Best to all of your

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 16, 1968

The Reverend Will D. Campbell
Committee of Southern Churchmen
P. O. Box 12044
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Will:

Following our telephone conversation this is to inform you in writing that the following resolution was passed unanimously by the SRC Executive Committee on April 6th:

> "Resolved, that the contribution of $1,700 to the Committee of Southern Churchmen be ratified and that the Southern Regional Council accept title to the 400 acres of land near Asheville, North Carolina offered by the Committee. Provided it can be ascertained we are receiving a good, indivisible and unencumbered title."

That part of the resolution relating to the title and other legal affairs, it seems to me, can best be handled by George Barrett. Would you be good enough to ask him if he would do whatever is necessary, and send us a bill for his services? As to the desirability of the site, I have no reservations. But to make it formal, Jim Wood will go to the property as soon as he can arrange it so that we can say we have had an on-sight inspection.

Thereafter, I hope we can get the legal transfer over with and proceed to set up a small committee from our two groups to spend some time thinking about what we should do next.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 16, 1968

The Right Reverend Monsignor George Higgins
Director
United States Catholic Conference
Social Justice Department
1312 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Monsignor Higgins:

Thank you for sending me the April 15 Yardstick.

We are pleased that our publication was useful and we hope the Labor-Civil Rights coalition develops.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

April 16, 1968

Dr. Robert Coles
Coolidge Road
Concord, Massachusetts

Dear Bob:

Currently, James McBride Dabbs is working on a modest study commissioned by us. The main purpose of the study is to determine the involvement of southern writers in the area of race relations since 1960. The area of writing includes fiction, non-fiction, and poetry.

We contemplate publishing this as a pamphlet of some 30 to 50 pages. I feel certain, however, that Mr. Dabbs would welcome the opportunity to expand this work considerably, and to go more thoroughly into the subject than our resources will allow. Further, I believe such a work is very much needed and that no one is more capable of doing it than Dabbs.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 16, 1968

Dr. Robert Coles
Coolidge Road
Concord, Massachusetts

Dear Bob:

Enclosed is the earlier letter sent out about the meeting on the 29th. The Brotherhood-in-Action building is located at 560 Seventh Avenue at 40th Street. You can spot it easily by three tall, tremendously expensive, metal flag poles in front of the building.

So help me, I hesitate asking you to do this, but will be grateful if you show up at such time as is convenient for you to speak briefly about the pattern of life of the newly arrived immigrant in the ghetto situation.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

P. S. -- Most of Pat's articles are at his home. He will, tonight, make a selection of them and we will get them off to you promptly.

April 16, 1968

Miss Clare Miller
The Putney School
Putney, Vermont 05346

Dear Miss Miller:

Please know that we very much appreciate your lovely letter. Incidentally, a former director of the Council, for the period 1946-56, was Dr. George S. Mitchell. Dr. Mitchell's brother taught for a number of years at Putney. Largely through this connection we are well aware of the school.

We share the sentiments, the frustrations, and the determination you express.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 17, 1968

Mrs. Mary Alice Baldinger
National Civil Liberties Clearing House
1637 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mary Alice:

I very much regret that we goofed on sending you the requested 75 copies of the Memphis report. An additional 25 copies are being sent to you separately.

It's always good to share our materials with you. You do with them what they're prepared for.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 17, 1968

Mr. Whitworth Stokes, Jr.
3313 West End Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Whit:

Thanks for the information about Target Areas Service, Inc. I am sorry to hear that things have not worked out.

It seems to me a reasonable suggestion that you go ahead and transfer these funds to Operation Self-Help, Inc. The purpose of the initial grant was to get something worthwhile started in Nashville, and that purpose still seems valid to me.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 17, 1968

Mr. Nils R. Douglas
Collins, Douglas & Elie
1110 Medallion Tower
344 Camp Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Nils:

Thanks for the copy of your letter to Samuel. It is very heartening to see that you are applying some creative pressure to give him an idea of what you expect. Keep it up.

I had originally planned to be in Louisiana for the meeting this weekend, but will not be able to make it. Instead, I will be going to Baton Rouge on Monday, May 22, and will get in touch with you when I come through New Orleans.

Regards to Bob, Lolis, Dave, and Don.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

April 17, 1968

Dr. Vivian Henderson
President
Clark College
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Viv:

Sorry to be so slow about getting this edited. I believe you said Green's part didn't need to be edited. What I have left is your talk, John Feild's and Weltner's.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 17, 1968

Miss Shelby Lewis
Department of Political Science
Southern University
Southern Branch Post Office
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70813

Dear Shelby:

Thanks much for your letter and the pleasure of your voice recently. It was good hearing from and talking with you.

The program for the Seminar on "Political Change and Development in Africa" look very interesting and I'm happy it was well attended and informative. More of these seminars are needed in our schools.

Under separate cover, I'm sending you more material on voter education in the South. Unfortunately we don't have anything on other parts of the country, but I'll try to get my hands on something for you (all in the interest of developing young minds).

I'll be in Baton Rouge on Monday, May 22, so expect to hear from me.

Take care.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

April 17, 1968

Mr. Ernest W. Ogram, Jr.
Chairman, Ad Hoc Committee
Georgia Partners of the
Alliance for Progress
Georgia State College
33 Gilmer Street, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Ogram:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 15, and to say that regrettably Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr. will be out of the city on April 22, and will be unable to join the program on April 22.

Mr. Jordan will, in all probability, be in touch with you at a later date.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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April 17, 1968

Dr. Edward F. Renwick
Director of the Symposium on
Southern Politics
Louisiana State University in
New Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Renwick:

This letter is written as a follow-up of a previous letter dated March 19, 1968, in view of the fact that we have no record of that letter being mailed. The March 19 letter was giving you Mr. Jordan's expenses to New Orleans on March 15-16.

Mr. Jordan's expenses were:

Round trip (tourist) fare to New Orleans	$ 67.20
Cab fare (Atlanta (residence to airport & return)	12.00
New Orleans (airport to hotel & return)	8.00
Total	$ 87.20

Dr. Renwick, please make reimbursement check payable to the Southern Regional Council, Inc., for Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

I trust my delay in getting this information to you has not inconvenienced you to a great extent.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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MEMORANDUM

April 17, 1968

TO: VEP STAFF

FROM: WJROUGEAU

RE: Urban Affairs Quarterly

This quarter's issue of Urban Affairs Quarterly has three articles which may be of interest to you. These are:

1) "The Urban Conflict" by Jack Meltzer
2) "Reapportionment and Urban Representation in Legislative Influence Positions: The case of Georgia" -- by Brett Hawkins and Cherly Whelchel
3) "The Metropolitan Government Approach: Should, Can, and Will it Prevail?" -- by
-- by Daniel R. Grant

If anyone is desirous of reading these, a copy of UAQ can be found in the VEP library.

April 1~~9~~7, 1968

Mr. Norman Hill
Associate Director
A. Philip Randolph Educational Fund
217 West 125th Street
New York, New York

Dear Norman:

It was a pleasure to attend the Young Militants Conference. It was a good experience for me, and I enjoyed it tremendously.

My expences were as follows:

Round trip fare (tourist) New York-Atlanta	$ 115.50
ATLANTA	
Taxi fare(residence to airport & return)	12.00
NEW YORK	
LaGuardia Airport to hotel & return (Taxi)	7.00
Intra City Transportation (NYC)	6.25
Meals (away from Union Theological Seminary)	5.36
Gratuities	8.75
Total	$ 174.63

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Thanks again for the invitation, and I look forward to seeing you at Capahosic.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm

April 17, 1968

Mr. John Helms
Attorney at Law
C & S Bank Building
11th Floor
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear John:

Thanks so much for your telephone call this afternoon and your offer of the ride to Tuesday night's session.

Per your request, I am enclosing a copy of my biographical sketch for your use and information.

I look forward to seeing you and other members of the group at Allison Williams' home on Tuesday night, April 23, at 8:00 p. m.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

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April 17, 1968

Mr. Jake Ayers, Sr.
Glen Allan Improvement Association
Post Office, Box 447
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Ayers:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Glen Allan Improvement Association for a grant to conduct a voter registration program in Washington County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,200.00 for a period six weeks to run from April 24 to June 5, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a) Director's expense @ $40.00 per week	$ 240.00
b) Task Force Workers (8) (@$ 15.00 per week)	720.00
c) Transportation	200.00
d) Supplies	40.00
Total	$1,200.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records, and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

April 17, 1968

Mr. C. E. Bouleware
Department of Mathematics
North Carolina College at Durham
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Bouleware:

During the last week in March, you were mailed a letter and questionaire asking you to participate in a survey of Negro political candidates I am conducting for the Voter Education Project.

To date, we have not received a reply from you. Perhaps you misplaced the letter and forms.

At any rate, I am enclosing a copy of the original letter, the two forms and a stamped envelope for your convenience.

I hope you can join the other Negro candidates from across the South who are helping to make this project possible.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj
Enclosure

April 17, 1968

Mr. Wesley Ledell
City Hall
Mound Bayou, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Ledell:

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April 17, 1968

Mrs. Unita Blackwell
General Delivery
Mayersville, Mississippi

Dear Mrs. Blackwell:

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April 17, 1968

Mr. Charles Evers
NAACP Office
1017 Lynch Street
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Evers:

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April 17, 1968

Mr. Paul Murray
Route 1, Box 311
Kingstree, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Murray:

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Research Associate
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April 17, 1968

The Honorable R. L. Dent
2043 Roaslie Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Dent:

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April 17, 1968

Attorney Joseph A. Jordan
1228 Virginia Beach Boulevard
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Attorney Jordan:

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Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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April 17, 1968

Mr. Henry Marsh
3211 O Street
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Marsh:

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Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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April 17, 1968

Mr. Earle M. Johnson
625 West Union Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Johnson:

During the last week in March, you were mailed a letter and questionaire asking you to participate in a survey of Negro political candidates I am conducting for the Voter Education Project.

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I may be in your area next week. May I call to see whether I could see you in person if I do make the trip? In any event, I would hope to get a telephone interview with you.

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Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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April 17, 1968

Mr. F. Malcolm Cunningham
600 Rosemary Avenue
West Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

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Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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April 17, 1968

Mr. Zelma Wyche
Madison County Voters League
505 Green Street
Tallulah, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Wyche:

During the last week in March, you were mailed a letter and questionaire asking you to participate in a survey of Negro political candidates I am conducting for the Voter Education Project.

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Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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April 17, 1968

Mr. Wally Oliver
Maringouin, Louisiana 70757

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Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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April 17, 1968

The Reverend A. D. Davis
2319 Third Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Davis:

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Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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April 17, 1968

Mr. Peter Smith
City Hall
Grand Coteau, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Smith:

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Research Associate
Voter Education Project

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April 17, 1968

Mr. A. W. Willis
588 Vance Street
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Willis:

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April 17, 1968

Mr. Hubert D. Thomas
Chairman
Civil Liberties Committee
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Thomas:

This is to confirm with thanks my acceptance of your invitation for me to address the Improved Benevolent Order of Elks Civil Liberties banquet on Monday night, May 20, 1968, in Thomasville, Georgia.

Since we are supposed to travel together to Thomasville, I expect to hear from you concerning details for the trip.

Best wishes.

Yours cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

April 17, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Weldon Rougeau

Please send 25 copies of the Orangeburg Report to Mr. Walter Dancy. Label is attached.

Thanks.

April 17, 1968

Mr. Walter Dancy
Morehouse College
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Walter:

Enclosed are some materials you might be interested in. Under separate cover I'm sending you 25 copies of the Orangeburg report.

Come and say hello sometime.

Uhuru!

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

April 18, 1968

Miss Ponchitta Pierce
780 Madison Avenue
Apartment 7-A
New York, New York

Dear Ponchitta:

I am very grateful to Marian Wright for many things. I am particularly appreciative to her for having made it possible for me to meet you this past Monday. It was a real pleasure and I hope that we will have an opportunity to get together again.

You were so kind to interrupt a busy work day to talk with me. I am particularly conscious of my interrupting your schedule because it happens to me all the time. None-the-less, it was very much worth my while and, to be sure, I'd do it all over again if you permitted me to do so.

I plan to be in New York within the next fortnight, and I hope to resume the dialogue with you that I found so meaningful on Monday.

I am forwarding to you, under separate cover, some materials which may give you some idea of what we are trying to do here in the South.

Again, thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

P. S. I had dinner with Marian and Peter last night, and Marian made me assure her that I was on good behavior while visiting your office.

VEJ

April 18, 1968

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125½ Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Jimmy:

I am still looking for the list of candidates in South Carolina. We need it desperately.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 18, 1968

Mr. Wallace C. Blackwell
North Carolina College at Durham
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

Mr. Jordan has asked me to respond to your letter of April 10 requesting changes in the way VEP funds were allocated for your program in Person County. We are in favor of your revisions so long as Task Force Workers are not paid more than $15.00 per week and the secretary's salary does not exceed $25.00 per week.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:nm

cc: Thad Olive

April 18, 1968

Mr. William S. Gary
Director
Department of Social Action
International Union of Electrical,
Radio and Machine Workers
1126 Sixteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Bill:

It seems that the world has changed since your very good meeting at the Willard Hotel a fortnight ago. Despite all that has happened, I am still struck by the meaning of your meeting and what I think it accomplished. It was, I think, an excellent meeting and I am pleased to have had a small part in it. Please invite me again.

My travel expenses to the meeting were as follows:

Atlanta: Taxi fare (round trip office to airport)	$ 7.00
Washington: Taxi fare (round trip airport to hotel)	6.50
Atlanta to Washington (round trip air fare)	105.00
Total	$118.50

Please make reimbursement payable to the Southern Regional Council, Inc.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to share in your program, and I look forward to seeing you when next in Washington.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

April 18, 1968

Mr. Nils Douglas
Attorney at Law
2211 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Nils:

I am returning your check in the amount of 30¢, and am enclosing a copy of the booklet, "In Memphis: More Than a Garbage Strike." The next time that you have need of information from the Council, please just write and ask for it, and spare your secretary task of writing a check for 30¢.

That was an excellent letter you wrote to Bill Samuels. I am deeply grateful to you for having done that, for clearly it is the expression of the kind of leadership that the Voter Education Project needs.

I plan to be in Baton Rouge for a hot minute Friday night and Saturday morning, and I hope to get to see you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:pm
Enclosure

P. S. We are putting you on the permanent SRC mailing list.

April 18, 1968

Dear Leon:

Per your request, we are enclosing a copy of the Voter Education Project's guidelines. Thanks for your interest in me, and please give my best to Mattie.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

Mr. Leon Cox
201 "I" Street, S. W.
Apartment 107
Washington, D. C.

April 18, 1968

Mr. M. E. Walls
Special Programs Director
Hudson Institute
Quaker Ridge Road
Croton-on-Hudson,
New York

Dear Mr. Walls:

Thanks very much for the information on the Second Seminar-Course to be presented by the Hudson Institute this year on "U. S. Policies and Nuclear War." I regret very much that prior commitments make it impossible for me to attend.

Thanks very much for the invitation.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

April 18, 1968

Mr. Avon N. Williams, Jr.
Co-Chairman for Middle Tennessee
Voters Council
Looby and Williams
Attorneys at Law
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Avon:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 13, requesting a voter registration grant for the Middle Tennessee Region. The Voter Education Project is prepared to consider your request; however, it is unlikely that we can do so in the amount requested.

If time permits, I would like to come to Nashville on Wednesday, April 24, to discuss with you and other officials of the Middle Tennessee organization your programs and plans for voter registration in Middle Tennessee. If Wednesday is satisfactory with you, please let me know the time and place so that I might make arrangements to come to Nashville.

Suffice it to say that we see a real need for voter registration activity in your area. We are ready to move.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

April 18, 1968

Mr. Robert B. Flanagan
Executive Secretary
Atlanta Branch, NAACP
859½ Hunter Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. Flanagan:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 10, requesting funds to aid the Atlanta Branch, NAACP in its voter registration efforts. To that end, we are enclosing a copy of the Voter Education Project's guidelines which must be complied with for consideration of a grant.

While I cannot assure you at this time of a positive response to your request, please know that we will give your request every consideration.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: Dr. A. M. Davis

April 18, 1968

MEMO TO: KMARTIN

FROM: WJROUGEAU

RE: TRAVEL ADVANCE -- REIMBURSEMENT --
A. PHILIP RANDOLPH EDUCATIONAL FUND

Attached herewith is a check in the amount of $ 160.70, reimbursing my travel to New York, March 29-31, 1968.

cc: RHA

April 18, 1968

Mr. Clarence Townes
Republican National Committee
1625 Eye Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Clarence:

As I mentioned, you will get a copy of the edited transcript in about two weeks.

In the meantime, can you fill out the attached form and send it back.

I want to preface each interview with a short introduction.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj
Enclosure

April 18, 1968

Mr. John Cashin
416 Owens Avenue, N. E.
Huntsville, Alabama 35801

Dear John:

Enclosed herewith is a list of some of the people that have been recipients of Voter Education Project grants and have operated voter registration campaigns in Alabama. I trust they will be helpful to you in your efforts. It was good seeing you, do come back again.

My best regards to Joan.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

VEP 68-60

April 18, 1968

Mr. August Scott
President
Bolivar County Branch, NAACP
Route 1, Box 272
Shelby, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Scott:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Bolivar County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Bolivar County, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from April 19 to June 14, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additionalfund funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		255.00
Printing		25.00
		$ 1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the approppiate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples or materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

VEP 68-62

April 18, 1968

Mr. John L. Buskey
Chairman
Voter Education Project
Montgomery County Branches, NAACP
Room 203
352 Dexter Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama

Dear Mr. Buskey:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Montgomery County Branches, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Montgomery County, Alabama. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from April 24 to June 19, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject ot review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		300.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Rent		80.00
Supplies		45.00

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

VEP 68.58

April 18, 1968

The Reverend W. S. Randolph
Sumter County Voters League
219 South Washington Street
Sumter, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Randolph:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Sumter County Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Sumter County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from April 24 to June 19, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Experses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		350.00
Printing and Postage		100.00
Supplies		50.00
		$ 1,500.00

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: James Felder

VEP 68-61

April 18, 1968

Mr. E. H. Gadsden
Savannah Branch, NAACP
458½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Gadsden:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Savannah Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Chatham County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,200.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from April 29 to June 24, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Secretary	@ $35.00 per week	280.00
Six (6) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	720.00
Transportation		500.00
Office Rent		150.00
Supplies		50.00
Postage and Printing		100.00

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

April 18, 1968

Mr. Frank Adams
Executive Director
Virginia Council on Human Relations
17 East Cary Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Frank:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,275.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid for 1968 to the Virginia Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enclosures 2

April 19, 1968

Mr. John P. Murray
Executive Director
Houston Council on Human Relations
3505 South Main Street
Houston, Texas 77004

Dear Jack:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $1,250.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid for 1968 to the Houston Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enclosures 2

April 19, 1968

Mr. Frank Parker
Office of General Counsel
U. S. Commission on Civil Rights
Washington, D. C. 20425

Dear Frank:

We are running very low on our supply of copies of the 1965 Voting Rights Act and requests for it keep coming in. Could you send us about 200 copies, or if not that, as many as you can spare?

Many thanks.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 19, 1968

MEMO TO: Members, Advisory Committee
Voter Education Project

FROM: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director

We have tentatively scheduled the meeting of the Voter Education Project's Advisory Committee for June 21 to 23, beginning with dinner on the 21st and ending with lunch on the 23rd.

Please let us know immediately if this date is suitable with you. It is our hope, ~~that~~ because of arrangements at Capahosic, that each of you can arrange to be present.

When we have your response, we will prepare a more detailed agenda for your consideration prior to the meeting at Capahosic.

Thank you very much.

April 19, 1968

The Reverend C. M. Felton
Elizabeth City and Pasquotank County
Voter Education Project
P. O. Box 647
Elizabeth City, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Felton:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the proposal of the Elizabeth City and Pasquotank County Voter Education Project. The events of the past few days resulted in our delay in responding to your request. Because of the few remaining days for registration in North Carolina, we are not able to make a favorable response to your request at this time.

We ask that when the books reopen for registration in Pasquotank County that you inform us of your organization's intentions. It will not, however, to resubmit your proposal.

We appreciate your interest and thanks for writing.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

cc: Bill Towe

April 19, 1968

Mrs. Sarah Curry
204 Nash Street
Union City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Curry:

Pursuant to your request, enclosed are copies of our guidelines. We invite you, at your earliest convenience, to submit a proposal.

The Project will do whatever we can to assist you in your efforts in voter registration in Union City.

If we can be of further assistance please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

April 19, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

As you may or may not know, the research letter for the Durham registration project went to Mr. Wheeler. We would appreciate it if you would take care of sending in the research reports for this project.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 19, 1968

Mrs. James Parris
National Council of Negro Women
1225 Washington Boulevard
Miami, Florida 33158

Dear Mrs. Parris:

As I mentioned in my letter of March 12, 1968 weekly reports are due from your project on the number of people contacted, number of people registered, etc. Unless I have misplaced your reports, we have not yet received any for our records and files. I would appreciate it if you will bring us up to date on your reports as soon as possible.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 19, 1968

Dr. M. A. Ray
President
East Tarbobo Citizens League
422 East Church
Tarbobo, North Carolina 27886

Dear Dr. Ray:

As I mentioned in my letter of March 27, 1968 weekly reports are due from your project on the number contacted, number registered, etc. I would appreciate it if you would bring the reports from your registration drive up to date as soon as possible. Many thanks.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 19, 1968

Mr. Heber Green
Pitt County Branch, NAACP
1608 West Third Street
Greenville, North Carolina 27834

Dear Mr. Green:

I appreciate the newspaper clippings and the other materials sent in by you recently. However, as I mentioned in my letter of March 8, 1968 we asked that you not send us the canvassing forms and other materials turned in to you by the various workers. We prefer a single consolidated report on your project. I am returning the various canvassing reports to you under separate cover. Also under separate cover will come an additional supply of VEP report forms.

Best wishes as you near the end of your registration campaign.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 19, 1968

Mr. Thomas D. Walker
Chairman
Hoke County Voter Education Project
208 Reaves Street
Raeford, North Carolina 28376

Dear Mr. Walker:

You may take a few days extra to prepare the final narrative report.if you wish. I appreciate the prompt and comprehensive reports that you have been sending thus far. Keep up the good work.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 19, 1968

Mr. Nils Douglas
Attorney at Law
2211 Dryades Street
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Nils:

Many thanks for returning the copy of the letter to Mr. Hoffman. It was indeed sent to you by mistake. I am enclosing a copy of our letter to Mr. Samuel just in case you did not receive it as intended. Thanks again.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 19, 1968

Mr. Mario Lubrano
Editor
international
281 - 20th Street
Brooklyn, New York 11215

Dear Mr. Lubrano:

I am sorry to say that our supply of "Voter Registration in the South" has been exhausted. There is a possibility that we may publish a similar booklet this summer. Please contact us sometime late this summer if you are still interested at that time. Thank you for your inquiry.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 19, 1968

Mrs. Shirley Marie Johnson
Secretary
First Ward Voters League, Inc.
919 North 28th Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

As requested in your letter of April 15, 1968 I am enclosing a copy of the Federal Voting Rights Act. I am sorry to say that I do not have an extra copy of the state of Louisiana registration laws. However, you may obtain a copy there in Baton Rouge at the office of Wade O. Martin, Jr., Secretary of State, State of Louisiana. If we can be of further service please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 19, 1968

Mrs. Lunceford
Theater Atlanta
1374 West Peachtree
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Lunceford:

Mr. Saul Levy requested that I send the enclosed vita sheet for your use in making arrangements for the panel discussion I am supposed to participate in on April 28.

Yours truly,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

April 19, 1968

Mr. August Scott
President
Bolivar County Branch, NAACP
Route 1, Box 272
Shelby, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Scott:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organisation of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/lg

April 19, 1968

Mr. John L. Buskey
Chairman
Voter Education Project
Montgomery County Branches, NAACP
Room 203
352 Dexter Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama

Dear Mr. Buskey:

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Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/lg

April 19, 1968

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Savannah Branch, NAACP
458½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/lg

April 19, 1968

Mr. Jake Ayers, Sr.
Glen Allan Improvement Association
Post Office Box 447
Glen Allan, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Ayers:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/lg

April 19, 1968

The Reverend W. S. Randolph
Sumter County Voters League
219 South Washington Street
Sumter, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Randolph:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/lg

April 19, 1968

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1124 Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Jimmy,

Pursuant to your request of April 3, I am delighted to inform you that we are making a supplementary grant to the South Carolina Voter Education Project in the amount of $3,490.00 to cover the period up to July 1.

In accordance with our agreement, the grant will cover the following:

Director's Salary	$1875.00
Secretary's Salary	900.00
Travel	200.00
Rent and Utilities	150.00
Office Supplies	100.00
Telephone	225.00
Postage	40.00
	$3490.00

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against any political candidate.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) Weekly Report Forms for your weekly reporting, and c) a copy of the duplicate deposit slip.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/lg
Enclosure

cc: Dr. C. H. Thomas, Jr.
R. J. Palmer

SAME LETTER SENT TO: LWD, HAROLD FLEMING, Mike Svirdoff;
Bill Archer, Vernon Eagle, John Simon, D. John Heymon
Robert Scrivner

April 19, 1968

Mr. M. Carl Holman
Deputy Staff Director
U. S. Commission on Civil Rights
801 - 19th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20425

Dear Carl:

The Voter Education Project's Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet at the Moton Memorial Conference Center, Capahosic, Vifginia, June 21 - 23, beginning with dinner on the 21st and ending with lunch on the 23rs.

In addition to an evaluation of the current VEP activities we will be taking a serious look at VEP program objectives for the next three years. We would like very much to have you share in this session on the direction of VEP after 1968.

Please therefore mark these dates on your calendar and let us know if we may expect you at Capahosic.

A more detailed agenda and other information as to how to get to Capahosic will be forwarded to you at a later date.

We look forward to seeing you at Capahosic.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

VEP-68-68

April 19, 1968

Rev. Charles Johnson
Meridian Branch of NAACP
610 - 38th Avenue
Meridian, Mississippi 39301

Dear Rev. Johnson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Meridian Branch of NAACP/VEP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Meridian, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,000.00 for a period of thirteen weeks to run from June 3 to August 30, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to thirteen weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 390.00
(5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	975.00
Transportation		250.00
Office Rent		135.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Office Supplies		50.00
Telephone		125.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/lg
Enclosure
cc: W. C. Patton

April 19, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to Florida

Following is a report on the field trip I made to Florida during the first week of April. I spent April 3, 4, and 5 visiting VEP grantees in Daytona Beach, Miami-Dade County, Tampa, and St. Petersburg. On the whole, I think the trip was very rewarding and provided me with several opportunities to directly observe our grantees at work.

FIELD REPORT # 15

Daytona Beach

The Volusia County Branch of the NAACP was conducting a registration drive in three areas of the county: Halifax, Holly Hill, and Ormond Beach. The areas represent, I was told, the areas of greatest population density and lowest registration. They are also areas that have many poor people living in them. Consequently, they are areas that warrant someone working to register more people.

847 Registered Since Drive Began

At least 847 persons had been registered in about two weeks' time when I was in Daytona. Leaders of the Branch attributed this number to the cooperativeness of the Supervisor of Elections primarily. Mrs. Katherine Odham, the Supervisor, was described as "a real doll" by most of the workers. Apparently she had ordered her deputies to cooperate with the NAACP workers in registereing as many people as possible during the drive. (One reason for this cooperation could be that Mrs. Odham is an elected official in Volusia County. Although she is unopposed in the primary, it still behooves her to be "nice" to everyone.)

Another factor contributing to the number of persons registered, Mr. Horace Reed said, was the "hard work of the 8 Task Force Workers, 8 students, and 5 volunteers." According to Mr. Reed, the workers literally combed the area and did a "fine job."

When I expressed my disappointment at the small number of students involved in the project, I was told that administrators like Mrs. Banks, Rev. Fair (Chaplain), and a Mr. Levers of Bethune-Cookman had not delivered on their promises to involve students in the drive. When I was there about a month ago, I was given assurances by several people at Bethune-Cookman, that students would be involved. At any rate, I made it clear that we had hoped to see more than 8 students involved in the drive.

Publicity for the Drive

The drive was being publicized by placards and posters from W. C. Patton's office, radio announcements, and community organization announcements. Here again, I expressed my reservations about using "general" publicity such as Patton's posters for a three week drive. My feeling was that any publicity coming out of the project should have been of a "crash" sort, geared especially for the people in Volusia County during those three weeks of concentration. And since there were only two days left for registration in the county, I made several suggestions to Mr. Reed and his staff:

(1) Areas of concentration should be on the main streets of the ghetto, where people tend to congregate on Fridays and Saturdays, e.g., bars, restaurants, shopping centers, barber shops, beauty parlors, etc.

(2) Buses should be used for transporting persons from the above areas to the registration office.

(3) Use of a sound truck followed by transportation cars for persons wanting to register.

(4) Avoid canvassing door-to-door in the neighborhood unless a large number of people, sufficient to saturate an area, is involved.

I don't know whether these suggestions were implemented, but it appeared to me that those were the kinds of things needed during the end of their registration drive.

Overall Impression of Drive

My impression of this drive was that it could have been better coordinated with resulting larger number of people being registered. I think more students could have been involved despite the people who did not recruit students as they promised. Moreover, more careful planning could have gone into the mobiliaztion of workers for canvassing and other related activities. It is probably fair to say however, that they did as best they could with the resources they had.

NegroeSeeking Elective Office

Out of this drive there may be an opportunity to elect a black man (Roger P. Fair) to the school board in Volusia County. This is the only black person running for political office in the county. His opponents are:

(1.) Elizabeth Peffer, a Daytona Beach realtor

(2.) L. W. Summerlin, the incumbent,

Whether he will win is a matter of concern among blacks in Volusia County.

Miami-Dade County

I spent part of the afternoon and evening in Miami-Dade County looking over the projects we funded in Liberty City (Miami), Coconut Grove, Richmond Heights, and South Dade. In each area I visited registration centers and talked with persons like Bill Miles, Mrs. James Parris, Rev. Tom Monroe, and Mrs. Nancy Lyxka.

Each person I interviewed was pleased with the way things were going in his area. Buses were carrying people to a central location on Thursday evening, April 4, in an attempt to take advantage of a late closing (9:00 p.m.) ordered by the Supervisor of Elections in Dade County. People were gathering around buses when news came of Martin's having been shot. Then, people were not very concerned with registering: they wanted to know how their leader was doing.

Reaction to King's Death

I'll never forget how people reacted when I walked into a bus to take a picture of people (about 20) who were preparing to go and register. I told some of the people that Martin was dead and there was a slight moment of silence. Then, women and men began crying out loud until I was so moved that I got off the bus and went and sat in by car. I began reminiscing about things that I had repressed for many years and it was then that I realized how very little the life of a black man means to many whites in this country.

(I also began realizing how very much Martin meant to many old and young blacks in this country and I knew that "they" (or should I say "we") had lost an idol, a Christian anachronism in a nation that claims to be "under God." His murder was incontrovertible proof that no matter how "good" (he was an American Gandhi) or "bad" (as many would describe Malcolm X) a black man' might be in this country, when he challenges the existing order, his days become numbered and he starts traveling toward an inevitable rendezvous with death. These are indeed sobering days for me, Vernon. And my life is built around the above realization: no matter what happens to me, it will not be unexpected.)

Within a few minutes groups of young black men were roving the streets of Coconut Grove, shooting pistols and hurling epithets at whites. Things were very tense and it's a wonder the damn ghetto was not burned that night.

Registration came to a halt after word spread of Martin's death. Everyone was in a daze; nothing else really mattered then.

Summarily, it can be said that all of the projects we funded in Dade County are adoing very well. Registration **PRODUCTIVITY HAS BEEN VERY GOOD AND** I'm sure much of this can be attributed to the easily accessible registration sub-stations in the county and the very liberal registration procedures in use there.

Tampa

On Friday, April 5, I visited the offices of the Tampa Urban League to speak with the person(s) responsible for the citizenship education program that we funded through Barbara Whitaker of the Southeast Regional Office of the Urban League.

Background on Visit

It was brought to my attention the week before I went to Florida, that we had received incomplete financial and no statistical reports from the Tampa Urban League. Thad informed me of the following:

(1) No documentation for expenditures claimed on the reporting forms provided.

(2) VEP could not reimburse the grantee's account in the amount of $79.42 for a trip Barbara Whitaker made to Tampa on March 25, 1968, because the grant did not cover such expenditures. Moreover, there were no receipts for air travel and hotel expenses.

(3) VEP could not pay for expenditures made for a desk pad - desk set on February 16, 1968.

(4) There was no explanation of mileage expenses incurred by Mrs. Elizabeth Carmony, director of the project. There was no indication of where she had traveled and on what dates, only total miles.

(5) There was no explanation of how to "establish and outfit Tampa office of Citizenship Education Program."

(6) VEP could not reimburse the grantee's account in the amount of $58.97 to cover purchase of lumber and labor to build a room divider in the office of the Tampa Urban League, because no allocation for such had been made in the grant.

Marvin told me of having received no research reports from the program. Hence, we had no idea of what was going on in terms of program of finances. In other words, this program, (as all other VEP programs that become delinquent in reporting), was in trouble when I went to Tampa.

Interview with Staff

I talked at length with Mrs. H. E. Carmony, coordinator of the citizenship education program, and Mrs. Augusta Marshall, executive director of the Tampa Urban League. I apprised them of the nature of my visit and they were literally shocked to hear that we had received no reports on their program. Mrs. Carmony opened her files and showed me copies of reports she had sent to Barbara Whitaker.

The reports she showed me were very detailed and documented. Almost everything conceivable was included in them: newspaper clippings, minutes from meetings, etc. In my opinion, both the financial and research reports were very well done. When I asked why we had not been informed of the activities of the project, I was told that everything "goes to Mrs. Whitaker and we thought she was keeping you up-to-date about our program."

I was also told that Barbara had instructed Tampa to have research and financial reports made in triplicate form, with two copies of everything being sent to her. Their impression was that Barbara was keeping one set of reports and sending VEP the other. It became clear to me that Tampa was not to be held accountable for the delinquent reporting that had brought me to the Bay area.

Is the Work Being Done?

Yes, I think the work in Tampa is being done.* My impression was that while Tampa has programs scheduled for people in that city, the St. Petersburg-Clearwater area is not as well organized. Perhaps prospects for the development of a program comparable to the Tampa project will be made known in future reports to us.

* See the appendix for materials related to the Tampa program.

Are The Tampa People Well Informed about their Relationship to VEP?

No. This was the most disheartening aspect of my visit to Tampa. Neither Mrs. Carmony nor Mrs. Marshall were aware of the nature of our grant and research letters which list what allocations have been made and indicate reporting procedures. Thus, when I questioned the expenditure for lumber, they said they had no way of knowing that VEP could not pay for that. They were under the impression that they had been given money without any strings attached.

Questions (and Recommendations)

I think that what I've said in the above paragraph raises a number of questions about the nature of this very grant to the Regional Office of the National Urban League:

(1) Does it do very much good to make a grant like this if we are essentially cut off from the people we are funding? I don't think it does and I find it contrary to our previous practice of trying to work directly with local groups that are undertaking programs like this. I fail to see how the Regional Urban League is anything more than a superfluous conduit---Does VEP need a conduit in this instance? I don't think so and I recommend that we work directly with the people in the community being served.

(2) If the Regional Urban League is not anything more than a conduit, should it be involved when the program is being coordinated by a person from the Tampa area. What can Atlanta tell people in Tampa about leadership and citizenship education that the people can't tell themselves?

(3) If this precarious relationship must go on, can we possibly let recipient organizations know what they are getting money for? Certainly we owe it to them and ourselves to make such things known. I recommend that we at least, take steps to do this.

Hopefully we can reach some understanding with Barbara Whitaker about the program whenever we meet with her.

St. Petersburg

The program being conducted by the NAACP Youth Council is not organized as well as it should be. Apparently, there is no way of keeping an accurate count of the number of blacks registered by the project. And when I "surprised" Elenora Adams and Lonnie Donaldson, president of the Council, in the project office, neither was able to give me what I would consider an adequate assessment of what they had done.

Although their statistical reports showed them to have registered 3,159 persons at that time, I soon found that this number represented the total registration in thelPinellas County---black and white. As a matter of fact, I'm positive of that. Pinellas County is Republican country and I would tend to think a greater portion of that 3,159 persons consists of white Republicans

The case against the figures reported is strengthened, I think, when one considers the fact there is no neighborhood registration in Pinellas County. And I'm certain that the Republican organization is not dormant.

Mr. Donaldson and Mrs. Adams informed me that the Supervisor of Registration gives no racial breakdown in his registration figures. This is probably so. But I think we should impress upon this project that we want a fairly accurate count of the number of people they registered.

Let me sum this up by saying that I was not very impressed by this group. Perhaps they have registered 3,000 people, but it's very hard for me to see how they did this under the conditions I've described.

You're a brave man they tell me.
I'm not
Courage has never been by quality.
Only I thought it disproportionate
so to degrade myself as others did.
No foundations trembled. My voice
no more than laughed at pompous falsity;
I did no more than write, never denounced,
I left out nothing I had thought about,
defended who deserved it, put a brand
on the untalented, the ersatz writers
(doing what had anyhow to be done).
And now they press to tell me that I'm brave.
How sharply our children will be ashamed
taking at last their vengeance for these horrors
remembering how in so strange a time
common integrity could look like courage.

- Y. Yevtushenko -

Хорошо!

MW

April 19, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Edwards:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Chapel Hill Students Voter Education Project. This is to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $100.00.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your activities.

Enclosed are the following: a) copy of our letter of transmittal, b) Weekly Reporting Forms for your report, and c) a copy of the deposit slip.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding specila reporting requirements to the Project.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/lg
Enclosure

April 22, 1968

Mr. Allen Black, Jr.
Regional Director
Division of Legal Information
Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc.
220 Danny Thomas Boulevard
Memphis, Tennessee 38105

Dear Allen:

Thanks for your kind letter of April 16. We'll send you a copy of our "Second Supplement" to the report on Memphis as soon as it is off the press.

The workbook for your Pulp and Paper Project is excellent. The graphic format is attractive and should cause it to be well-used.

Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

April 22, 1968

Mr. Eli Ginzberg
Director
Conservation of Human Resources
Columbia University
New York, New York 10027

Dear Eli:

If ever I make a speech on this business of white reassessment I will certainly share it with you. But, I am not at all sure that I will ever be so bold or so foolish as to do so.

Prior to the King assassination I was becoming very depressed and very discouraged. It seemed to me that we were rapidly getting to a point where universally Negroes were bitterly, and most unstandably, disillusioned. It appeared that they were turning inward while at the same time whites, almost universally, were not only losing interest in developing a decent society, but were rapidly developing a determination not to do so. Certainly, there was little of a non-violent philosophy around and brotherhood and brotherly love were becoming dirty words.

During the march on the day of Dr. King's funeral, perhaps just for that day only, I sensed a spirit of togetherness which prevailed during the old civil rights movement days, and which I have not sensed for some five years now. While trying not to exaggerate this feeling, and recognizing that such a spirit might be very short-lived, I nevertheless could not help being deeply affected by it. It was akin to a religious experience, and was very important for an aging, tired, white, race-mixer.

Albeit, I felt many whites, including some in positions of responsibility, were shocked and affected by the assassination and by the funeral. And, I have seen some sign of a reassessment. To some degree it has been seen in some of the southern press, and some of our major conservatively-oriented businesses here in Atlanta have at least agreed to talk about support to ghetto programs in terms which I would have felt inconceivable several weeks ago.

Perhaps in my earlier letter I overstated this reassessment. Certainly,the evidence is sparce and may dwindle away. Nevertheless, it does seem to exist and I think it is the best hope we have at the present time.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 22, 1968

Mr. J. Oscar Cohen
Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith
315 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Oscar:

I hope you have gotten this reutinely or are about to. But just in case, enclosed is our poverty issue of New South.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

April 22, 1968

Mr. J. N. Rayzor
3207 Groveland Lane
Houston, Texas 77019

Dear Mrs.RRayzor:

Thank you so much for the comments on the statement issued by our Executive Committee, and for your contribution.

We do receive Stone's Weekly and were very interested in the report on the KKK and the police.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

April 22, 1968

Mrs. Deborah M. Cole
Executive Director
The Aaron E. Norman Fund, Inc.
575 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Debby:

This will acknowledge with our grateful appreciation the Fund's contribution of $7,500 in support of the work of the Federation of Southern Cooperatives. We shall see that this valuable support is used as designated.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

April 22, 1968

Dr. E. A. McDowell
First Baptist Church
754 Peachtree Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Dr. McDowell:

Thank you for your comments on the statement by the Executive Committee and for the excellent column from the Christian Index.

Do come to see us when you can.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

Same letter to:

Dr. Eric Lincoln
Dept. of Sociology
Portland State College
Portland, Oregon

April 22, 1968

Mr. Finley Campbell
863 Fair Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. Campbell:

The enclosed request is self-explanatory. We will await word from you before taking any action. It would seem to me, however, that there should be some agreement of compensation to the authors.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/jw

Encl. - 1.

April 22, 1968

Mr. John Calvin Reid
First Presbyterian Church
Hilton Head Island,
South Carolina 29928

Dear Mr. Reid:

I appreciate so much your taking the time to write us. A copy of NEW SOUTH has been forwarded to you.

The statement on page 85, I think, should clarify the point: "No South Carolina county welcomes commodities." Food stamps, you will note, are not mentioned. The two programs are not the same. In fact, if a county has the one, the other is excluded. Footnote 102, page 85, refers to the extent of food stamp participation in South Carolina as do footnotes 1 and 2, page 149. On page 92, there is a specific reference to the Beaufort County Food Stamp Program. Thus there is no conflict between what Mr. Moody told you and our report. As for what can be done, perhaps after you have read the entire report, you may like to comment on some of the suggestions offered. One thing is certain: no agency, private or public, has all the answers and there is something for all of us to do. Along these lines, may I suggest, if you have not already done so, that you contact Rev. Paul Mathias, executive director, South Carolina Council on Human Relations, 1420 Lady Street, Columbia, South Carolina.

who, I am certain, will be delighted to discuss how his agency may be of assistance to you in local efforts.

Please feel free to write us of your concerns at any time.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

cc: Rev. Paul Mathias

April 22, 1968

Mr. J. Kellum Smith
Secretary
The Rockefeller Foundation
111 West 50th Street
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Smith:

This will acknowledge with grateful appreciation the Foundation's contribution of $50,000 toward the work of the Council during 1968.

More than ever before we feel a great sense of urgency, and I pledge to you and the Foundation that we shall use these funds as effectively as we can.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1 (Official receipt)

April 22, 1968

Mr. Willie Mays
San Francisco Giants
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Mays:

This is merely a note in response to the New York Times article of April 17th which reports your acceptance as national chairman of a major fund-raising drive for Miles College. As a close friend to Miles College and Dr. Lucius Pitts I wish to thank you sincerely for this interest on your part and the substantial contribution it represents.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Dr. Lucius H. Pitts

April 22, 1968

Mr. Edward E. Elson
President
Atlanta News Agency
3875 Green Industrial Way
Chamblee, Georgia 30005

Dear Ed:

Thanks for the copy of Irwin Schulman's memorandum. I had not seen it, but am very happy he sent it out.

Thanks so much also for the "crack pot" communication you received. Our advertisements have generated about a dozen of them here. Interestingly, this is more than our yearly average during the past several years.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 22, 1968

Mr. Arnold H. Leibowitz
Director
Office of Technical Assistance
Economic Development Administration
U. S. Department of Commerce
Washington, D. C. 20230

Dear Arnold:

Thank you for the good visit on Friday. I will keep you posted on the developments in New York and elsewhere.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 22, 1968

Mr. Frank Smith
Director
Tennessee Valley Authority
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Frank:

Thank you for sharing with me the news release of April 19th. Needless to say, I agree with it and particularly agree that such thoughts must be expressed and understood.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 22, 1968

Dr. Riley B. Montgomery
112 Irvine Road
Lexington, Kentucky 40502

Dear Dr. Montgomery:

Under separate cover, we are sending you 10 additional copies of the statement issued by our Executive Committee. I am happy that you like it, and appreciate the use you wish to make of it.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 22, 1968

Mrs. Leo Mervis
Coordinator
New Orleans Consortium
Palmetto and Pine Streets
New Orleans, Louisiana 70125

Dear Helen:

Thank you for your very kind note about the Executive Committee statement. The staff had prepared a draft for the Committee' consideration, but the Committee improved it considerably. In fact, I think this is the first time in my memory when I have seen a committee improve a statement.

Ten copies of the statement are being sent to you separately.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 22, 1968

Mr. George Esser
Executive Director
The North Carolina Fund
P. O. Box 687
Durham, North Carolina 27702

Dear George:

Thanks very much for the thoughtful letter about the statement.

I, too, feel the time has come for considerable expansion of SRC's mailings. Toward that end, we currently have before the Carnegie Corporation and the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations requests for funds to allow us to continue such reports as those on Orangeburg and Memphis, and to considerably expand distribution. I am not hopeful about the Davis request, and not too encouraged about the chances at Carnegie, but they were the best places to even get through the door. And, of course, after this year the new Ford Foundation request will allow for significant expansion if approved as requested.

I think the tragedy of the assassination and the grief of the funeral did give Vernon and me an unprecedented opportunity to get to know

McGeorge Bundy better and to become friends far more quickly then we would have otherwise. I found him to be an extremely decent as well as a likeable person.

Wish we could see much more of each other.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 22, 1968

Mr. Reginald L. Frazier
Director
Craven County Voter Education Project
1213 Church Street
New Bern, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Frazier:

Unfortunately, the Voter Education Project did not get an aopportunity to review your application for a grant prior to the above date. We had hoped to be able to make a grant to the Craven County VEP well in advance of the deadline for the May 4th primary.

Inasmuch as we failed to do that, we are willing to make you a grant after the May 4th primary, if the organization is still desirous of conducting a registration program. Please let us know if you are interested in a grant after the primary.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
cc: Mr. John Edwards

April 22, 1968

Mr. James Jolliff
Route 2, Box 112
Woodville, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Jolliff:

Many thanks for your letter.

Even though you are no longer in office, I would still like to interview you.

It would be difficult for me to come to Woodville as you originally suggested, but I would like to talk to you over the telephone.

I don't think it would take longer than one-half hour.

Any day next week---April 29, 30, May 1 or May 2 and the morning of May 3 would be fine with me.

If you can get to a telephone on any of these days between 9:00 and 5:00 Eastern Standard Time---that's between ten and six o'clock your time---you can call me collect at Area Code 404 - 524-0080.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

April 22, 1968

Dr. E. C. Harrison
Dean of the University
Southern University
Southern Branch Post Office
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dean Harrison:

It was a pleasure to participate in the conference on "The Negro and the Central City." Although my stay was very brief, I sensed that it was a very meaningful meeting for those in attendance. I regret very much that I was forced to rush in and rush out, therefore missing the rest of the conference.

My travel expenses were as follows:

ATLANTA:

Taxi to and from Air	$ 8.00	
Round trip air fare Atlanta to Baton Rouge	104.00	
Total		$ 112.00

Again, it was an honor to have been invited and a pleasure to attend.

I see where you are going to be speaking in Atlanta next week. If your schedule permits, please drop in to see us.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

bc: Dr. Jewel Prestage

April 22, 1968

Mr. A. H. Holman
Chairman
The Orange County Voters League
Box 926
Hillsboro, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Holman:

Unfortunately, the Voter Education Project did not get an opportunity to review your application for a grant prior to the above date. We had hoped to be able to make a grant to the Orange County Voters League well in advance of the deadline for the May 4th primary.

Inasmuch as we failed to do that, we are willing to make you a grant after the May 4th primary, if the organization is still desirous of conducting a registration program. Please let us know if yourare interested in a grant after the primary.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

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68-70

April 22, 1968

Mr. E. W. Steptoe
Amite County Voter Education Project
Route 2, Box 119
Liberty, Mississippi 39645

Dear Mr. ~~E. W.~~ Steptoe:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Amite County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Liberty, Mississippi. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $800.00 for a period of five weeks to run from April 22 to May 27, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to five weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$200.00
(5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	375.00
Transportation		200.00
Printing		25.00

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These report should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/lg
Enclosure

VEP-68-67

April 22, 1968

Mr. Nathaniel Lee Hawthorne, President
Lunenburg County Branch
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Voter Registration Committee
P. O. Box 79
Kenbridge, Virginia 23944 23944

Dear Mr. Hawthorne:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Lunenburg County Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Kenbridge, Virginia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of six weeks to run from April 23 to June 4, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$180.00
(5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	450.00
Transportation		250.00
Supplies		60.00
Printing and Postage		60.00

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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/lg
Enclosure

cc: John Brooks

VEP-68-53

April 22, 1968

Rev. E. D. Hooks
Bossier Parish Voter Education Project
415 North Circle Drive
Bossier City, Louisiana 71010

Dear Rev. Hooks:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Bossier Parish VEP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Bossier City, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of ten weeks to run from April 29 to July 8, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$400.00
(4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		300.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Rent		80.00
Supplies		45.00

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/lg
Enclosure

cc: William Samuel

VEP
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VIA AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

April 22, 1968

Mr. Virgil Dimery
Director
Williamsburg County Voters League
P. O. Box 311
Kingstree, South Carolina 29556

Dear Mr. Dimery:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Williamsburg County Voters League for a grant to conduct a crash voter registration campaign in Kingstree, Williamsburg County, South Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $800.00 for a period of five weeks, to run from April 22 to May 27, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to five weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's Expense ($ 40.00 per week)	$ 200.00
b)	(5) Task Force Workers (@ $15.00 per week)	375.00
c)	Transportation	200.00
d)	Printing	25.00
Total		$ 800.00

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If you have any further questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

cc: James Felder

April 22, 1968

Mr. John Edwards, Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Edwards:

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It is important that the information be accurate. Figure, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/lg

April 22, 1968

Mr. E. W. Steptoe
Amite County Voter Education Project
Route 2, Box 119
Liberty, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Steptoe:

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Voter Education Project

MW/lg

April 22, 1968

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW/lg

April 22, 1968

The Reverend F. R. Rowe
408 S. Hooker Street
Fitzgerald, Georgia 31750

Dear Mr. Rowe:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 5, requesting financial assistance for your Leadership Training workshop. I regret very much that the VEP cannot, at this time, give you assistance.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

April 22, 1968

Mr. W. Thomas Adams
186 Fielding Lane, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Adams:

Thanks for your letter of April 17 confirming my acceptance to speak at the A. R. Smith Chorus' Centennial Banquet on April 26, at 8:00 p. m. I would appreciate a call from you, at your earliest convenience, setting forth the details of your program.

For your use, my biographical sketch is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

April 22, 1968

Mr. Richard E. Neustadt
Institute of Politics
Littauer Center 127
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Dick:

This is to inform you that the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council, in its April meeting, unanimously granted me a leave of absence from January 1, 1969 to June 1, 1969. Therefore, I am pleased to accept a Fellowship at the Institute of Politics for the period covering my leave of absence. I accept under the terms as set forth in your letter of February 28.

Needless to say, I am looking forward to my stay at Harvard, and to the close association with you and the Institute.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
cc: Jack Wofford

April 22, 1968

Rev. Cornell Hampton, Treasurer
Clarendon County Voters League
502 W. Boyce Street
Manning, South Carolina

Dear Rev. Hampton:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:lg

April 23, 1968

Mr. W. H. Samuel
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

Under separate cover we are sending you 100 copies of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign." I believe you are familiar with the other material we have. Have you seen a copy of "Know Your Rights?"

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 23, 1968

Miss Betty Plank
c/o The Rev. Howard Hall
St. Aloysius Church
2025 Stuart
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808

Dear Miss Plank:

I am happy to attach a list of the four Baton Rouge members of the steering committee of the Louisiana Voter Education Project. There isn't much to say about the Louisiana Voter Education Project beyond what was included ih the news release. I am enclosing an extra copy of this release. Also enclosed is a news release which announced the current Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council in 1966.

Thank you very much for the material about Friendship House. I hope you will have a very successful gathering in Baton Rouge.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 23, 1968

Miss Ruth Dent
Secretary
Stewart County Voters League
P. O. Box 432
Lumpkin, Georgia

Dear Miss Dent:

We do not have any booklets just about the Voter Education Project. However there are several VEP publications to which you might be referring in your letter of April 17, 1968. I am enclosing samples of these publications. Please let me know which of these publications you desired and I will try to see that you get additional copies.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 23, 1968

The Reberend Charles Johnson
Meridian Branch, NAACP
610 - 38th Avenue
Meridian, Mississippi 39301

Dear Mr. Johnson:

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Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 23, 1968

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President
Lunenburg County Branch, NAACP
Voter Registration Committee
P. O. Box 79
Kenbridge, Virginia 23944

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Voter Education Project

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April 23, 1968

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Bossier Parish Voter Education Project
415 North Circle Drive
Bossier City, Louisiana

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Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 23, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Bill:

Here is the Mississippi manuscript. The comments were written by Robin Ulmer.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 23, 1968

Mr. T. G. McQuary
Director
Development and Public Information
Western Washington State College
Birmingham, Washington 98225

Dear Ted:

Thanks for your letter of April 5. It meant much to me to receive it, and I shall treasure it for a long time.

Things are a bit confused with me, trying to figure out how to get you back to the South. I am giving it some sincere thought and will be back in touch with you soon.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

VEP-
68-54

April 23, 1968

Mrs. Mary J. Williams
Secretary

Galax Branch, NAACP
Route 5, Box 298-A
Galax, Virginia   24333

Dear

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Galax Branch, NAACP, for a grant to conduct a voter registration campaign in three counties in Galax, Virginia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00, for a period of six weeks to run from April 25 to June 6, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's Expense @ $ 40.00 per week	$ 240.00
b)	(4) Task Force Workers ($15.00 per week@)	360.00
c)	Transportation	350.00
d)	Printing and Postage	50.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements for Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: John Brooks

April 23, 1968

Mr. Willie Jack, Jr.
1641 North 44th Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

Dear Mr. Jack:

Unfortunately I do not have the answers to the questions raised in your letter of April 18, 1968. Merely compiling the list of names was in itself a considerable task.

I think it would be safe to say that most, but by no means all, of them were elected in predominantly Negro counties, wards or districts. My impression is that most, but not all, are Democrats. Most had white opponents, but some ran against Negro opponents. I know for a fact that many of them belong to Negro organizations but I am sure that there are some on the list who do not.

A booklet currently is being prepared which will answer some of the questions you raised with regard to a selected list of officeholders. I am enclosing the last issue of the V.E.P. News which describes this booklet.

I am sorry I could not answer your questions in detail but perhaps this letter will be of some value to you.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 23, 1968

Mr. Henry M. Smith
409 Prospect Street
Y. D. S. Box 162
New Haven, Connecticut 06510

Dear Mr. Smith:

Thank you for your inquiry about employment with the Council for the summer and for your interest in us. We do employ a number of college students during the summer, but regrettably all of the slots available have been filled. In fact, we strained and over-filled them.

I do hope you are successful in finding summer work.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 23, 1968

Miss Jane Ellen Bloom
Smith College
Laura Scales House
Northampton, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Bloom:

Thank you for your inquiry about employment and your interest in the Council. Regrettably, the openings for our student summer employment have been filled -- in fact, over-filled.

Given your plans to attend law school you might want to write the Law Students Civil Rights Research Council, 156 - 5th Avenue, New York, New York 10010, for suggestions.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 23, 1968

Mrs. J. Fount Tillman
Palmetto Farm, Route 1
Lewisburg, Tennessee 37091

Dear Mrs. Tillman:

Quite apart from an apology for your support, I am very grateful to you for having the information in your letter of April 17th. All of us are very sorry to know that you must have another operation. Please know that our prayers will be with you.

Mrs. Tilly is still in the office regularly and I will share your letter with her.

With warm regards and every good wish from all of us here.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 23, 1968

Mr. William C. Olson
11 Harcourt Road
Scarsdale, New York 10583

Dear Mr. Olson:

It was a pleasure being with you last Thursday afternoon. I do look forward to our luncheon on Tuesday, April 30th. On the afternoon of the 29th, or early on the 30th, I shall call your office to see if you are available and if so, to arrange getting with you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

P. S. -- I have just discovered I did not have your office address or telephone number, though I hope it is 230 Park Avenue. If not, I shall call Mr. Delson's office on the assumption I can get your telephone number there.

April 23, 1968

Mr. Paul Valentine
The Washington Post
1515 L Street
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Mr. Valentine:

In your conversation with Mr. Pat Watters, you mentioned an article written by you on the Memphis strike, and you quoted our Special Report on Memphis. We can't seen to find the article. Will you please send us a copy?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

jcs

April 23, 1968

Superintendent of Documents
U. S. Government Printing Office
Washington, D. C. 20402

Dear Sir:

Please send us three (3) copies of the report, *Poverty: Hunger and Federal Food Programs, Background Information* which was prepared for the Subcommittee on Employment, Manpower, and Poverty of the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, U. S. Senate, July 1, 1967.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

April 23, 1968

Dr. Raymond M. Wheeler
3724 Warrington Drive
Charlotte, North Carolina 28211

Dear Dr. Wheeler:

Enclosed for your approval is a copy of the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of April 6, 1968.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Katharine Martin
Secretary

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Enclosure

April 23, 1968

Miss Connie Curry
American Friends Service Committee
41 Exchange Place, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Connie:

Belatedly, enclosed is our share of the loan to Panola Land Buyers Association.

Yours very truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enclosure - Check $1,000.00

April 23, 1968

Mr. Walter Reuther
President
United Automobile Workers of America
Solidarity House
8000 East Jefferson Avenue
Detroit 14, Michigan

Dear Mr. Reuther:

This is to respectfully request the consideration of the United Automobile Workers of America for consideration of $25,000 in support of the Southern Regional Council's Voter Education Project.

The VEP is deeply involved in giving financial and program support to voter registration programs conducted by local groups in the eleven Southeastern states. The Project also is substantially involved in offering seminars, technical assistance, and other support for newly elected Negro officials in the Southeast. Enclosed is a summary report of the work of the Project for 1967.

We believe this important work must be continued and expanded and that now, more than ever, there must be a real sense of urgency about bringing a maximum number of Negro citizens into the political processes of this region and the nation.

Prior to making this request, we have been in touch with Mr. Jack Conway and he is familiar with this program.

If you need additional information in order to make a determination, we shall, of course, be more than happy to provide it. And, we are deeply grateful for any consideration you may be able to give to this request.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

BC: Mr. Jack Conway
Executive Director
I. U. D.
Washington, D.C.

April 23, 1968

Dr. T. T. Williams
2857 - 77th Avenue
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Dr. Williams:

Thank you for sharing with me your report. I have read it with interest.

I do hope in the not-too-distant future your schedule will bring you to Atlanta so that we can get together.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 23, 1968

Mr. Grann Lloyd
Professor of Economics
Tennessee A & I University
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Mr. Lloyd:

Enclosed are a few articles on minority employment practices in metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County, Tennessee.

For further information on minority employment, I refer you to your local Project Equality offices, located at Edgehill Methodist Church, 1502 Edgehill Avenue, and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 1308 Jefferson Street.

Various training programs, usually financed with federal funds, are in operation in Tennessee. The Government, Recruitment, Employment, and Training Program (GREAT), for example, is now conducting a 14-week training program which began February 19 to train minorities to meet civil service requirements for positions in various departments of your state government. Ashby Black, district manager of the Tennessee Department of Employment Security, may have further details on the program. The Manpower Development and Training Act, U. S. Department of Labor, has provided funds to various agencies in your state to train the minority for employment.

Whether these minority group trainees have been hired is a question to be answered. Perhaps the U. S. Department of Labor or your local poverty agency will be able to give you statistics on the number of MDTA trainees who have been employed.

I hope the articles will be helpful to you. Feel free to call on us again.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Barnetta Jackson
Research Assistant

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Encls.

April 23, 1968

Mr. Mathew Ahmann
Executive Director
National Catholic Conference for
Interracial Justice
1307 South Wabash Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mat:

Thank you for the copy of your report. It reflects a substantial amount of work, and you and the National Conference are to be commended.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 23, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Les:

This will simply acknowledge receipt of the special grant in the amount of $225,000 in support of the Voter Education Project.

We understand, I believe, the conditions of the grant, and the spirit in which this special grant was made. In this regard, Vernon and I have done some preliminary planning and as these plans are further developed we will, of course, keep you informed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

April 23, 1968

Mr. Jack Conway
Executive Director
Industrial Union Department
815 - 16th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Jack:

Relative to the discussions you and Vernon have had, enclosed is the request we have submitted to Walter Reuther.

Please know that we very much appreciate your interest in this.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

April 23, 1968

AIR MAIL

Miss Ruth F. Schumm
2143 "N" Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Schumm:

Someone called to my attention the attached article. I think this is the best projection I have seen and I am wondering if we could obtain details and recommendations. Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I am

Sincerely,

Moreland Griffith Smith
FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/rh

Enclosure

April 24, 1968

Dr. Thomas F. Pettigrew
Associate Professor of Social Psychology
Department of Social Relations
Harvard University
William James Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Tom:

It was very thoughtful of you to write about the latest issue of New South, and I and those who put it together appreciate it very much.

Our normal run of the magazine is 5,000 copies. With this issue we ran 7,500 in the hopes of some additional distribution, including limited newsstands sales. After we get some further response, we will know what use to make of the extra copies.

Wish your visit to Atlanta on May 18th could be longer, though I do hope we can get together briefly. I would be happy to meet you at the airport, or otherwise be hospitable.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 24, 1968

Dr. Gordon Purrington
Assistant Professor
Department of Educational Administration
College of Education
The Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida 32306

Dear Dr. Gordon:

Thank you for the information in your letter of April 19th and, indeed, for the invitation. I look forward to being with you.

I am especially pleased that Dr. Cook is coming. I think he will make a particularly valuable contribution to the meeting.

I shall probably drive to Tallahassee if I can arrange to spend several days elsewhere in Florida after your meeting. I would, however, appreciate your arranging for me a motel room for Sunday and Monday nights.

Enclosed is the requested vita sheet.

I look forward to being with you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

April 24, 1968

The Honorable William F. Ryan
House Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Congressman Ryan:

Thank you for sharing with us the pages from the Congressional Record of April 11th. It was very thoughtful of you to call the statement of our Executive Committee to the attention of your colleagues, and to insert it into the Record.

We are very appreciative.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 24, 1968

Mr. James E. Heard
Administrative Assistant to the
Program Chairman
John Fitzgerald Kennedy School of Government
Institute of Politics
Harvard University
78 Mount Auburn Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Mr. Heard:

Vernon Jordan has shared with me your letter of April 18th, and earlier Leslie Dunbar forwarded to me your letter to him. There is a slight possibility of a position, of a research and information nature, connected with our Voter Education Project. Should you be interested in exploring this further, we would be happy to have you come to Atlanta, at our expense, to discuss this with Mr. Jordan and the Director of Research of the Voter Project.

Since it will be necessary to select a time convenient to you and one which would find the three of us in the office, arrangements will probably have to be made by telephone. Would you, therefore, call me collect so that we can discuss mutual dates if you are interested in coming to Atlanta?

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

Reading file

MEMORANDUM

April 24, 1968

TO: John Boone
Pat Watters
Vernon Jordan

FROM: Ed Stanfield

Fred Miller of the Community Relations Service regional office called yesterday and asked if the three of you and I might talk to a woman from the Bureau of the Budget. She will be in the office at 2:30 on Thursday, April 25. She is evaluating "federal programs" and Fred thought she should talk to you guys particularly.

I told him that I was sure you would be glad to talk to her, if you happened to be in the office, and we set the time arbitrarily. We can talk to her jointly or severally, and suggestions are in order.

April 24, 1968

Mr. Stuart L. Knoop
William H. Metcalf, Jr., Architect
1156 Nineteenth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Stuart:

You will be hearing from Mr. Durden in regard to the attached letter. Please get yours and Frank J. Sullivan Associates reaction to Dr. Foster prior to the 16 May meeting of the Board.

If you need me you can get me at night at the attached list of places. I will telephone you on return after talking to Dr. Foster.

I am sure you understand I do not relish making any of these changes but SS & A has done this type of thing to get a hospital constructed. If there are any items you and Sullivan particularly balk on we should find other cuts to get the job going.

Sincerely,

Moreland Griffith Smith
FAIA

MGS/rh

Enclosure (1)

April 24, 1968

AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Professor James D. Glasse
Associate Dean
Professor of Practical Theology
Vanderbilt University
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Professor Glasse:

Enclosed are some biographical information and a photo.

The title of the speech is Religion and Human Rights -- A Final Appeal to the Church.

I will be arriving in Nashville on Thursday evening,May 2. I do not know the exact time of my arrival but will let you know before May 2.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosures

April 24, 1968

Mr. Charles Wright
Florida Black Front
P. O. Box 1745
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. Wright:

This is to acknowledge your letter of invitation to attend the Black Solidarity Conference in Jacksonville May 10-12. I regret to say that a previous commitment will make me unable to attend.

Best wishes for a good conference.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

P. S. I would be interested to receive any reports that you may make of the conference.

April 24, 1968

Mrs. John Raezer
Staff Officer
Eisenhower Exchange Fellowships, Inc.
256 S. Sixteenth Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102

Dear Mrs. Raezer:

This is to acknowledge your letter of April 23, however, I regret to say that I will be unable to see Mr. Fernando Oliveira during his visit to Atlanta on May 30-31.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

April 24, 1968

Mr. Charles O. Prejean
Federation of Southern Cooperatives
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Charles:

I wonder if any of these things would be of any value to you?

Yours truly,

James N. Wood, Jr.
Executive Assistant

JNW/km

Enclosure

(1968)

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to Louisiana

Following is a report of a field trip I made to Louisiana from April 22-24 inclusive, to consult with Bill Samuel, director of the Louisiana Voter Education Project, and some of the temporary officers of the organization, such as Jewel Prestage, treasurer, and Nils Douglas, chairman. The purpose of this trip was to assess what is transpiring in the Louisiana VEP apparatus and to give Bill Samuel some indication of what we expect of him in the strengthening and perpetuation of voter education activity in the state.

FIELD REPORT #17

Visit to VEP Office in Plaquemines

On Monday, I visited the offices of the Louisiana VEP in Plaquemines and met the project director's secretary, Mrs. Johnson, a very impressive person.

Mrs. Johnson is a rarity in Plaquemines. She types very well, takes dictation, is graceful in her movements about the office, and looks good. She's married, has five children, and looks young enough to have 12 more. In all seriousness, I think Samuel has a very efficient secretary and was lucky to find that caliber person in a small town like Plaquemines.

Physically, the office is a modest structure that was a small supermarket at one time. It is furnished with only the bare necessities, i.e., two old desks, a typewriter, and a mineograph machine. It is large enough to accommodate the present needs of the Louisiana VEP, inexpensive in rental, and its only defect lies in its location, Plaquemines.

To be sure, Plaquemines is not as conveniently located as is Baton Rouge. And perhaps at some later date, there will be some consideration given to moving to Baton Rouge. But, in the present Zygotic state of the organization, this should not be a matter of overwhelming concern. I said this to Samuel when he spoke to me of the need for being in Baton Rouge since he spends so much time in the area.

There is also another thing that enters my mind when I think of the distance between Samuel's habitat and Baton Rouge(about 20 miles). We should, if possible, avoid getting into another Ben Grinage type of situation on the transportion costs posed in such a move. It is slowly becoming a hazardous thing to have a director live in one place and have his office in another. Invariably, we get hooked with transportation costs that tend to overburden a given project's budget(and our own).

But all things considered, I think Samuel's office in its present location is well suited for the job that must be done for the sustenance of the Louisiana VEP. Building a firm organization, I feel, transcends any priorities relating to location of an office.

Discussion With Samuel

Bill and I talked at length about the things we expect of him in the ensuing months. I told him of the need to "beat the bushes" and get some proposals for registration projects in to us in time for funding well in advance of the July 17th registration deadline. In this regard, I tried to explain what I felt his role should be: he should explain the relationship between VEP in the state and VEP in the region; make available guidelines for grants; where needed, give assistance in the writing of proposals; make assessments of a prospective grantee's capacity for success; and advise us relative to the funding of agencies or groups making application for monies.

I also tried to stress the need for a concomitant effort at strengthening the formal structure of the Louisiana VEP. This would include the securing of equitable and diverse representation of black organizations throughout the state, so long as the possibilities for success go undiluted. Notwithstanding the urge to involve "personalities," people should be selected and chosen on the basis of their commitment to the practical ideals of VEP. This is very important for Bill to recognize since he will be the one advising his board about the desirability of involving different people around the state. I think he understands this fairly well.

Samuel and His Wife

I know that it is not a common practice to discuss the married life of a VEP director, but Samuel might be having a problem. As you know, his wife is a German who lives in Mannheim, Germany, and their distant relations were deteriorating when we talked with him in New Orleans. By now, they have reconciled their differences and I assume that she is in the U.S. Well, they plan to live in Plaquemines(it's bad enough to have intermarriage in New York), a small cruddy town. And I think he's probably going to be under considerable strain in doing his job. That's one side of it.

The other side concerms black reaction to his wife. I need not tell you what problems arise these days when a black is seen with a white woman. There will be hostility from blacks, as well as whites. Perhaps, this will also affect his capacity for being effective in the state.

I know that this is Samuel's married life and as far as I'm concerned, all's well. But I thought I would mention this in this report, just to keep you informed. Let's hope that his married life can remain what it should be----a private matter.(aside from being for self-determination, I am also for maintaining a very high state of connubial felicity.)

Talk with Jewel Prestage

Jewel seems to be very optimistic about the VEP in Louisiana. She feels there is much that Southern

University can do in strengthening the programs of VEP. I think she has several ideas about seminars her department may be able to sponsor for the benefit of Negro elected officials in the state. As she explained, they would try to simulate problems and conditions under which officials must make decisions of various sorts in an attempt to familiarize them with the processes involved in holding office. No doubt this would be valuable and I certainly think colleges like Southern and Grambling should be involved in this type program.

Jewel asked me if I thought we would be interested in co-sponsoring seminars of this type, but I referred her to you for obvious reasons. My own feeling is that we can and should continue doing our own things separate from these other efforts, and at the same time encourage other programs such as those proposed by Jewel.

Overall, I think Jewel and Samuel are working very well together. She seems to be impressed with him and he speaks highly of her. So, there is at least a good probability that they will be able to do effective things for VEP in Louisiana.

Nils Douglas

Nils showed me copies of letters he sent to those members of the Steering Committee who did not attend the meeting on April 20th. He was concerned that part of this might be due to some kind of North-South rivalry surfacing in VEP. This is a damn good possibility given the past history of black leadership in Louisiana. I suggested that VEP refrain from having a disproportionate number of meetings in the Baton Rouge - New Orleans area.

I think Nils is doing an admirable job in trying to hold everything together and give Samuel some "inspiration." (Samuel told me that he appreciates the memos Nils has sent him and is happy that he has a chairman who is concerned about the nature of his activities as director.) Hopefully, this will be a positive contribution to the effectiveness of the Louisiana VEP and will serve as a means of strengthening its operation in the state. It is very encouraging to see a chairman take such an active interest in an organization.

The next meeting of the Louisiana VEP is scheduled for May 11, in Alexandria and I plan to be there in case there are any problems that arise out of the deliberations of the Body. I also think that another reason for my being there is to stress the need for a program of voter registration in the state during the next weeks before the July 17th registration deadline. I think there are great opportunities for boosting registration in many areas of the state.

I ask no monument, proud and high
To arrest the gaze of the passers-by;
All that my yearning spirit craves,
Is bury me not in a land of slaves.

_______Frances Harper

April 24, 1968

The Honorable Mary K. Wall
Assistant Attorney General of Texas
Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Mrs. Wall:

Last year you were kind enough to provide us with figures on registered voters, by county, in Texas for which we were most grateful.

Since the Texas voter registration deadline was January 31, we wondered if any new figures, by counties, have been compiled. We know that Texas does not have such information recorded according to race. However, if you know of any such figures or estimates, would you please let us know?

Again, we thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 24, 1968

Mr. Robert S. Calvert
Comptroller of Public Accounts
Asutin, Texas 78711

Dear Mr. Calvert:

Since the Texas voter registration deadline was January 31, we wondered if any new figures on registered voters in Texas have been compiled. We know that Texas does not have such information recorded according to race. However, if you know of any such figures or estimates, would you please let us know?

Your assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 24, 1968

Mr. Jennings Wood
Chief
Exchange and Gift Division
The Library of Congress
Washington, D. C. 20540

Dear Mr. Wood:

We will be happy to see that the Library of Congress, Exchange and Gifts Division, continues to receive the V.E.P. NEWS. To date we have published Volume 1, Numbers 1 - 7 and Volume 2, Numbers 1 - 3. If you are missing any of these issues we will be pleased to supply them.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 24, 1968

Mr. Robert Ritz
Deputy Equal Employment
Opportunity Officer
Internal Revenue Service
Room 358
2 Penn Center Plaza
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102

Dear Mr. Ritz:

We are happy to place your name on the mailing list for the VEP newsletter.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 24, 1968

Mr. Morton J. Sobel
Director
School Desegregation Program
Public Schools of the District of Columbia
Twining Administration Annex No. 8
3rd Street between N and O Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20001

Dear Mr. Sobol:

We are happy to place your name on our mailing list for the V.E.P. NEWS. We are also pleased to forward your request to receive SRC publications to the SRC publications department.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

cc: Janet Smith

April 24, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Pleawe send 100 copies of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign" to the Louisiana Voter Education Project. Label is attached.

Many thanks.

April 24, 1968

Mrs. Mary J. Williams
Secretary
Galax Branch, NAACP
Route 5, Box 297-A
Galax, Virginia 24333

Dear Mrs. Williams:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 24, 1968

Mr. James Capra
Assistant to Sen. Dominick
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Capra:

Enclosed are the registration figures you requested. The "unknown" column in the Mississippi table refers to those voters not registered by race. We estimate that 95 per cent of these so listed prior to the Voting Rights Act were white.

As you may know, South Carolina currently is engaged in reregistering every voter in the state, which is done in that state every ten years. The 1967 registration figures show registration just before the reregistration program began. The column at right on the South Carolina table gives the registration as of February 24, 1968. The registration deadline for the primary in South Carolina is May 11.

I hope this information will be helpful to you. I would like very much to see the outcome of your study if you will be in a position to make it available.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 24, 1968

Attorney Fred Gray
P. O. Drawer G
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama 36088

Dear Attorney Gray:

Following our conversation today, I hope you do come to Atlanta on Monday and that you can give a few minutes to this project.

My office number is (404) 524-0080. Please feel free to call me collect if you do decide to come, or to give me a call after you arrive in the city.

If not, I will call you at your Tuskegee office at 11:00 a.m. your time on May 9th.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

April 24, 1968

Mr. Melvin G. Seidenzhal, Jr.
3803 Elmley Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21213

Dear Mr. Seidenzhal:

I am enclosing North Carolina voter registration figures for 1966 and 1967 which will indicate to you the registration in Forsyth County. I have located some previous records which indicate that in 1960 white registration was 41,673 and Negro registration was 12,730. In 1961 the figures were 67,048 and 14,615. In 1964 the Forsyth County election board was quoted as estimating 66,800 whites registered and 12,000 Negroes registered. The voting age population in Forsyth County, based on the 1960 Census, is 68,221 whites and 17,028 Negroes. Thus far the current Voter Education Project has not funded any voter registration drives in Forsyth County, so I have no direct knowledge of whether or not there have been any.

I am afraid this is the extent to which I can reply to your questions. You may be able to get more detailed information by writing the city clerk in Winston-Salem or the Forsyth County Board of Elections.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 24, 1968

Mr. James P. Green
President
Vance County Voters League
176 Beckford Drive
Henderson, North Carolina 27536

Dear Mr. Green:

Thank you very much for the very interesting and impressive material sent to us about your drive. At the end you have attached what appears to be a voters list. Since we have no need of this list here I am returning it to you in the event that you need this list now or in the future.

Best of luck and keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL, INC.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N.W., ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

MEMORANDUM April 25, 1968

To: Members of the Program Committee:
Mr. Bradford D. Ansley
Mr. J. Bill Becker
Mr. Julius L. Chambers
Dr. Robert J. Harris
Mr. Donald L. Hollowell
Mr. Robert J. Palmer
Mr. Matthew J. Perry
Mr. Daniel H. Pollitt
Mrs. Tom Ragland
Mr. John Siegenthaler
Dr. John A. Griffin, Chairman

From: Paul Anthony

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I look forward to seeing you. Again, I very much appreciate your willingness to serve the Council in this way.

April 25, 1968

Mr. James A. Gray
Missouri Commission on Human Rights
314 East High
Jefferson City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Gray:

Thank you so much for your kind comments on both the content and physical appearance of the winter NEW SOUTH. The type used is of Danish origin, I'm told, and is called Optima. Our printer has only recently installed it. He ordered it from the address below:

Mergenthaler Linotype Company
29 Ryevson Street
Brooklyn, New York

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

April 25, 1968

Miss Sheila Maroney
240 Waverly Place
New York, New York 10014

Dear Miss Maroney:

Thank you so much for taking the time to write us your kind comments on the winter NEW SOUTH. If every reader felt your reaction, I think we would be well on the way to solving some of the problems Mr. Good describes.

Thanks again.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
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April 25, 1968

Mr. James O. Duncan
Capital Baptist
District of Columbia Baptist
Convention
1628 16th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20009

Dear Mr. Duncan:

Thank you so much for your good comments on the winter NEW SOUTH, and also for your subscription.

Under separate cover, your publications order is being forwarded to you.

We will be delighted to add your name to our media list for future news releases and special reports.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

April 25, 1968

Mr. William C. Capel
Department of Social Sciences
Clemson University
Clemson, South Carolina 29631

Dear Mr. Capel:

We appreciate so much your letting us read your manuscript on Cognitive Dissonance and Civil Rights. I'm sorry to say, however, that it is not suitable for publication in NEW SOUTH.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js
Encl.

April 25, 1968

Dr. Samuel DuBois Cook
Department of Political Science
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Sam:

You may have a lot of deprivation to overcome, but at the rate you are overcoming it you shall, indeed, overcome. I only regret I couldn't use the pronoun "we".

More seriously, I do look forward to seeing you at Tallahassee.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 25, 1968

Miss Barbara Greene
Mississippi Action for Community Education
140 South Eighth Street
Greenville, Mississippi 38701

Dear Barbara:

So nice to hear from you. I thought you had gone into seclusion.

Because you've always been so sweet, I'm sending you a copy of the Orangeburg Report---autographed(!!).

Take care and stay sweet.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

April 25, 1968

Mr. Elliot C. Leichtman
Lawyers Committee for
Civil Rights under Law
233 North Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Mr. Leichtman:

Here are the figures you requested showing our estimates of Mississippi registration by county as of September, 1967. I am also enclosing a statement about the Southern Regional Council and the press release explaining the Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 25, 1968

Mrs. Dorothy W. Glisson
Director, Election Division
Secretary of State
The Capitol
Tallahassee, Florida 32304

Dear Mrs. Glisson:

You have been kind enough in the past to provide us with figures on registered voters, by county and by race, in Florida for which we were most grateful.

Since the Florida registration deadline for the May primary was April 6, we wondered if any new figures, by county and by race, have been compiled. If so, we would appreciate it very much if you could send them to us.

Again, we thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 26, 1968

Mr. John W. Owen
DePauw University
Greencastle, Indiana

Dear Mr. Owen:

Thank you for your recent letter. I am afraid events since you were here have borne out the more pessimistic things you heard.

I am enclosing a thing explaining our subscription prices.

Best wishes for your group. Such concern and a willingness to act seems our best hope.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl.

April 26, 1968

Mr. W. W. Bryan, Jr.
The Times-Picayune Publishing
Corporation
3800 Howard Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70140

Dear Mr. Bryan:

I am sorry the press of events has delayed my answering your letter. Of course I will be happy to see you when you get over this way; I am still rueful about missing you before.

I hope you find what you want at the Atlanta papers. If that shouldn't work out, are you familiar with the Southern Courier? It's a weekly published in Montgomery for the Negro community, mainly, of Alabama, staffed by young people, most of them from eastern schools, some of them veterans of civil rights work. It is a highly competent and needless to say valuable operation. If you're interested, you might write to the editor, Michael S. Lottman, Room 1012, Frank Leu Building, Montgomery.

If you should wind up in Atlanta, there are various ways that we might work together to our mutual benefit. Let's talk about it.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

VIA AIR MAIL

April 26, 1968

Mr. T. K. Mahadevan
Gandhi Marg
221/223 Rouse Avenue
New Delhi-1.

Dear Mr. Mahadevan:

I will deliver an article about Dr. King by the end of May. Thank you for the invitation, and congratulations on the intelligent idea.

Best wishes.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

April 26, 1968

Mr. Reese Cleghorn
The Atlanta Journal
10 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Reese:

Enclosed is the statement from Harcourt, Brace & World, Inc. of the royalties earned on the sale of Climbing Jacobs Ladder for the period ended December 31, 1967.

Enclosed, also, is our check for your share of this income in accordance with our agreement of January 15, 1968.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures- 2.

April 26, 1968

Mr. Pat Watters
Southern Regional Council
5 Forsyth Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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Paul Anthony
Executive Director

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Appil 26, 1968

Mr. Edwyn E. Lewis
333 University Drive, Apt. 225
Coral Gables, Florida

Dear Ed:

We shall do what we can about Mr/ Smith. I am sharing the resume with Ed Stanfield.

If I can possibly find the time I very badly need to come to Miami as soon as possible to try to get a foot back into the door of the Arthur Vining Davis Foundations. If and when a date is set, I will, of course, let you know.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 26, 1968

Miss Eileen E. Muir
c/o YWCA Resident
135 East 52nd Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Miss Muir:

Miss Williams of the Atlanta Regional Office of the YWCA has just asked me on the telephone to send the enclosed resolutions to you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosures - 20
A. Philip Randolph Institute - SRC Conference Resolutions

April 26, 1968

Dear Al:

This is to acknowledge your letter and the attached report of April 19, which I have read with great interest.

I do think that you should come to Atlanta and at that time we can discuss the report. I am going to be in and out during the next few days, however, if you will let me know when you expect to be here, I will try to be around.

Sincerely,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Mr. Al Ulmer
P. O. Box 204
Vilas, North Carolina 28692

April 26, 1968

Mr. Paul Good
12 Pennoyer Street
Rowayton, Connecticut 06853

Dear Paul:

Here is the Florence Robins thing. I think the best way for you to get Dunbar's report is to call the Field Foundation and demand one. We haven't even gotten one here yet.

Hell of a note about Atlantic. I don't know what it is -- but I've found over the years that you just can't get eastern editors to take the truth of the nonviolent thing -- which you did as beautifully as I think it can be done. Do you have any other plans for it? New South might be interested if you don't.

Don't as they say let the s.o.b.'s get you down.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js
Encl. - "Their Daily Bread"

April 26, 1968

Mr. Eric Anderson
P. O. Box 12045
Memphis, Tennessee 38112

Dear Eric:

Belatedly, thank you for your note on the Memphis report, and for the editorial. I wish they had listened to you.

We are preparing a second supplement to the original Memphis report. You should receive it next week, and from now on, all that we publish.

Best wishes.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

4/26/68

MEMORANDUM

TO: JS

FROM: JS

As per PW's request, please put the following individual on our mailing list to include our special reports, especially, but exclude **New South**.

Mr. Eric Anderson
WDIA
P. O. Box 12045
Memphis, Tennessee 38112

April 26, 1968

Mr. H. L. Mitchell
Amalgamated Meat Cutters and
  Butcher Workmen of North America
AFL-CIO
P. O. Box 9159
Metairie, Louisiana 70005

Dear Mitch:

Forgive me for not answering your good letter sooner. I am sending the Orangeburg report, and ones we did on Memphis before the tragedy of Dr. King's death, and am putting you on the mailing list.

The meeting you heard about did not, I am afraid, develop anything nearly as concrete as you suppose. If anything does come of it, though, you will surely be informed.

I have passed on the name of Mr. Walker to the appropriate people.

Thank you for your letter. Keep in touch.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

April 26, 1968

Mrs. Howard Zinn
24 George Street
Newton, Massachusetts 02158

Dear Roz:

Thank you for the good words about the poverty issue of NEW SOUTH. Surely with all the telling about it, something real will be done.

It *was* good seeing you all; you both looked good. Give Howard my best.

I am going to Columbia next week, I think, and will try to go by and see Jeff if he is still there.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

April 26, 1968

Mr. Ray H. MacNair
Carver Research Foundation
of Tuskegee Institute
Division of Behavioral Science
Research
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama 36099

Dear Mr. MacNair:

Please forgive me for allowing the press of events to delay answering you. As I indicated over the telephone, this is just not the kind of project that SRC can underwrite. Your plan is impressive, and I am sure the findings will be of value.

Let me suggest the following possible sources of financing:

Mr. John Griffin
Director
Southern Education Foundation
811 Cypress Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Mr. Bayard Rustin
A. Philip Randolph Institute
217 W. 125th Street
New York, New York 10027

Mr. Eli Evans
Carnegie Corporation of New York
437 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

I hope something works out.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js
Encls.

April 26, 1968

Mr. James Y. Holloway
Berea Collegee
Box 936 College Station
Berea, Kentucky 40403

Dear Jim:

Thank you for your good words on the poverty issue of NEW SOUTH. I'm sending ten; they are already getting scarce. Will be looking forward to seeing the impossible-to-pronounce.

I'm still disheartened. Some damn radio station all the way from San Francisco called yesterday and wanted to know if I still felt as I said in the Nation piece that all the wallowing in remorse by the very people who contributed to King's death was obscene. I said yeah I sure do.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

MEMORANDUM

TO: MAILROOM

FROM: JSHORTT

As per Pat Watters' request, please send 10 copies of the current issue of NEW SOUTH on poverty to:

Mr. James Y. Holloway
Berea College
Box 936 College Station
Berea, Kentucky 40403

Label attached.

Thanks.

MEMORANDUM April 26, 1968

To: Members of the Lillian Smith
Award Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Director

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At a recent meeting with several members of the Lillian Smith Award Committee we agreed to purchase and send to you copies of books that are to be considered for the award. The first book to be requested is Tindall's THE EMERGENCY OF THE NEW SOUTH, 1913-1945. Under separate cover we are sending each of you a copy. If by chance you already have a copy, would you please donate it to some place like the Miles College Library?

April 26, 1968

Mr. Frederick B. Routh
Executive Director
National Association of Intergroup
Relations Officials
2027 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Fred:

I shall arrive at the Baltimore airport on Thursday, May 16th on Delta Flight #866, due at 1:02 p.m. Let me know whether I should meet you there or come to Washington.

I dread that miserable conference of yours, but look forward to seeing you .

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

April 26, 1968

Miss Kathy Weingarten
Tyler House
Smith College
Northhampton, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Weingarten:

At the requested of your father, Mr. Vernon E. Jordan has asked that I send you the enclosed Orangeburg and Memphis reports.

Sincerely,

Margaret Jennings
Secretary
Voter Education Project

/mlj
Enclosure

April 26, 1968

Mr. William Samuel
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

It was good seeing you again and I hope to be at your meeting in Alexandria on May 11.

Enclosed is a copy of our guidelines for your reproduction purposes. I hope we're able to get some good projects out of Louisiana during the next month.

Regards to Mrs. Johnson.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

April 26, 1968

Mr. Peter Johnson
General Delivery
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70813

Dear Pete:

It was good seeing you while I was in Baton Rouge and I hope you and the other members of LaRose can send us a proposal for voter registration in Scotlandville. Enclosed is a copy of our guidelines for that purpose.

Regards to everyone.

Uhuru!

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter EducationPProject

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

April 26, 1968

Mr. Alex Willingham
Department of Political Science
Southern University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70813

Dear Brother Alex:

I remember my promising to send you some VEP material when I first met you in New Orleans. I always deliver. Toward that end, I'm sending you under separate cover, back issues of newsletters and other materials which may be of interest to you.

Say hello to all the brothers (and the sisters).

Uhuru!

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

P.S. Don't walk too hard on the grass (smile).

April 26, 1968

Mrs. Drab
Reservations
Jefferson Hotel
1200 - 6th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Drab:

Enclosed herewith please find our check in the amount of $17.85 for April 15, when I failed to show up. I trust that I did not inconvenience the hotel. I was delayed in New York City.

Thanks much for saving space for me. I look forward to returning to the Jefferson soon.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

April 26, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York,New York

Dear Leslie:

Enclosed please find a news item and Reese Cleghorn's editorial on the Board of Inquiry's report.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

April 26, 1968

Mr. Charles Evers
2554 Queensroad Avenue
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Evers:

Thank you for responding to my questionaire.

You indicated I could call you at 11:00 on the morning of April 29.

Would it be possible for me to call at 10:00 instead. I have an 11:30 interview and don't want to have to cut yours short, in case it runs overtime. (Most interviews so far, however, have been under one-half hour.)

I will try to call you early on the morning of the 29th to see whether the earlier time would fit your schedule. If not, then the 11:00 time will do, I am sure.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

April 26, 1968

Mr. Avon Williams
Attorney at Law
McClellan - Looby Building
Charlotte at Fourth
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Avon:

Thanks so much for convening the meeting at your office on Wednesday. It was a good meeting, I think, and I expect much to come of it.

Enclosed please find a copy of the VEP guidelines and a copy of our pamphlet "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign."

It is our hope that we can get the Nashville proposal as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

April 26, 1968

Mrs. Katie L. Brame
Route 5
Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160

Dear Mrs. Brame:

It was a pleasure meeting with you Wednesday in Nashville. Your presence reaffirmed my belief that there is a genuine interest in Voter education in Middle Tennessee.

Please find enclosed a copy of the VEP guidelines and "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign." It is my hope that these materials will facilitate the submission by your organization of a proposal to the Voter Project as soon as possible.

Thanks again for attending Wednesday's meeting.

Sinderely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

April 26, 1968

Mr. Ernest Couch
306 Noblitt
Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160

Dear Mr. Couch:

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Director
Voter Education Project

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April 26, 1968

Mrs. J. H. Hall
133 Bethany Lane
Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160

Dear Mrs. Hall:

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Director
Voter Education Project

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April 26, 1968

Mrs. Johnnie C. Fowler
1001 Old Cowan Road
Winchester, Tennessee 37398

Dear Mrs. Fowler:

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Thanks again for attending Wednesday's meeting.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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April 26, 1968

The Reverend H. I. Ewing
326 West College Street
Fayetteville, Tennessee 37339

Dear Mr. Ewing:

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Thanks again for attending Wednesday's meeting.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

April 26, 1968

Mr. James M. Brown
410 North First Street
Pulaski, Tennessee

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Thanks again for attending Wednesday's meeting.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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April 26, 1968

Mr. James W. Caldwell
512 Hill Street
Columbia, Tennessee

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

April 26, 1968

Mr. Ewell D. Willis
430 East State Street
Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Willis:

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Thanks again for attending Wednesday's meeting.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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April 26, 1968

Dr. Edwin H. Mitchell
Meharry Medical College
Nashville, Tennessee

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

April 26, 1968

Mr. Dave Palmer
Assistant Professor
Department of Political Science
University of South Carolina
Columbia, South Carolina 29208

Dear Mr. Palmer:

Please forgive the long delay in acknowledging your letter of March 20.

At Mr. Jordan's request I am enclosing a copy of his speech, the Orangeburg report and some material about the VEP.

Sincerely,

Margaret Jennings
Secretary
Voter Education Project

/mlj
Enclosure

April 26, 1968

Mrs. Edna D. Wright
Director
Warren County Voters
  Registration Project
P. O. Box 236
Warrenton, North Carolina 27589

Dear Mrs. Wright:

Pursuant to your request to use the balance of your grant in the amount of $121.01 for citizenship education, please be informed that you have our permission to use the funds for citizenship education in Warren County.

Please may we have a report on your citizenship education activities.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

April 28, 1968

Mr. Robert Labaree
Southern Courier
5801 Avenue D
Fairfield, Alabama

Dear Mr. Labarre:

Our supply of "Voter Registration in the South" is running periliously low. However in view of your needs as outlined in your letter of April 18, 1968 I am able to shake loose one more copy, which is enclosed. You are quite correct about the increasing difficulty of compiling these figures. We plan to publish a similar booklet this summer but so far these plans have not taken shape. Please give my regards to Mike Lottman.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

April 29, 1968

Mr. Robert Valder
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Bob:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,000.00, the quarterly payment on our Rural Advancement Project grant to the Alabama Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enclosures 2

April 29, 1968

Miss Ellen Borey
Kalamazoo College
Kalamazoo
Michigan 49001

Dear Miss Borey:

Under separate cover we are sending you copies of editorial response to the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

I think I should point out that members of the Research Department staff do not evaluate the importance of projects requiring information from the department, nor do we "minimize nor bypass" requests for information, no matter how unpleasantly the request is made.

I wish you all success in fostering "general racial understanding."

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

Mailed separately:
Xeroxed copies of editorials from 20 southern newspapers.

April 29, 1968

Mr. Leslie Dunbar
Executive Director
Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, N. Y. 10017

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Enclosed are the clips I promised to send to you back in another era. I hope they reach you in time to do some good.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

Enclosures: Several

April 29, 1968

Mr. Neil McMillen
Department of History
Ball State University
Muncie, Indiana 47306

Dear Neil:

I just unburied your letter. Please forgive the delay. I sent the letter on to the Alabama Council, whose director has recently resigned.

I was unable to find out anything about the Alabama Foundation. Does Group Research have anything?

No. Bill Minor has not been heard from.

Sorry to have taken so long to answer. Is there any chance of getting a copy of your dissertation for our files? If you would send a copy, we could xerox it (immediate return guaranteed).

Hope the snow has melted.

Glenda Bartley

April 29, 1968

Dr. Kenneth F. Schenkel
Lockheed-Georgia Company
South Cobb Drive
Marietta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Schenkel:

I read with great interest the story in the Atlanta Constitution, April 22, on the Merit Employment Association and the report of the Association's research team, which you head.

If possible, we would like to obtain a copy of the report. We would also appreciate information about the MEA -- its origin, history, program, etc.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

VEP 68-72

April 29, 1968

Mr. Archie G. Ross
President
Rising Star Voters League
RFD 1, Box 22
Flovilla, Georgia

Dear Mr. Ross:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Rising Star Voters League for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Butts County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from May 7 to July 2, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $30.00 per week	$ 240.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		250.00
Printing and Postage		30.00
		$1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursements is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any ,encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marbin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

April 29, 1968

Mr. Frank R. Parker
Staff Attorney
United States Commission on Civil Rights
Washington, D. C. 20425

Dear Mr. Parker:

Many thanks for the page proofs you sent.

I was not clear from your letter whether you wanted them immediately returned or whether you wanted them returned when bound copies were finally issued.

I would prefer, of course, to keep the proofs as long as I can, but will comply with your wishes. I will additionally respect your request for confidence and am using the material as background only.

I have just skimmed through it so far, but it seems to be a wonderful document.

I did notice some typographical mistakes which don't seem to have been caught.

On page 216, F. Malcolm Cunningham is from Riviera Beach, not West Palm Beach.

On page 218, under Mayor: Mound Bayou, the last name ought to be spelled "Lidell."

On that same page, Mr. James Jolliff has been removed from office following his conviction for interfering with a revenue officer, and the Rev. David Wells, a Negro minister, appointed in his place.

On page 219, under Southern Pines, the last name ought to be spelled "Capel."

Under Louisiana, you ought to include Joseph Delphin, a JP from Natchitoches Parish, and Stanley Johnson, a JP from St. Mary Parish.

I believe that Marvin Wall, the Research Director of the VEP, will write you shortly about the report.

Thanks again for sending it to me.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

April 29, 1968

Mr. Archie Ross
RFD 1, Box 22
Flovilla, Georgia

Dear Mr. Ross:

Mr. Vernon Jordan has asked me to take his place as guest speaker at your Thursday night meeting at the Henderson Elementary School.

Can you send me directions on how to get to the school? I will be driving from Atlanta.

I hope this reaches you in time to let you wirte back. If not, during the day you can call me collect at:: (404) 524-0080.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj
Enclosure

VEP 68-71

April 29, 1968

Mrs. Virginia Carrington
President
Charlottesville Branch, NAACP
213 Ninth Street, N. W.
Charlottesville, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Carrington:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Charlottesville Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Charlottesville, Virginia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,250.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from May 8 to July 3, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Six (6) Task Force Workers	@ $10.00 per week	480.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
Supplies		50.00
Transportation		350.00
		$ 1,250.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project supporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Orgnaizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: John Brooks

April 30, 1968

Mr. Archie G. Ross
President
Rising Star Voters League
RFD 1, Box 22
Flovilla, Georgia 30216

Dear Mr. Ross:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, htat you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 30, 1968

Mrs. Virginia Carrington
President
Charlottesville Branch, NAACP
213 Ninth Street, N. W.
Charlottesville, Virginia 22901

Dear Mrs. Carrington:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

April 30, 1968

Mr. James Jolliff
Route 2, Box 112
Woodville, Mississippi 39669

Dear Mr. Jolliff:

It was good to talk to you today. As I indicated, I will have the interview transcribed and sent to you for your approval in about two weeks.

In the meantime, I am sending you a package of materials from the Voter Education Project.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

April 30, 1968

Mr. Thomas Chat~~t~~mon
301 Highland Avenue
Chattmon Beauty Supplies
Albany, Georgia

Dear Brother Chat~~t~~mon:

It was good hearing from you after so long a time. Pursuant to your request, please find enclosed a set of VEP guidelines, and our pamphlet "How To Conduct A Registration Campaign."

We will be more than happy to entertain a proposal from Dougherty County for voter registration. It is our hope that this proposal can be forwarded to us at your earliest possible convenience.

Please give your family my best regards.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

April 30, 1968

Mr. Eli Evans
Carnegie Corporation
589 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Eli:

The Voter Education Project's Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet at the Moton Memorial Conference Center, Capahosic, Virginia, June 21 - 23, beginning with dinner on the 21st and ending with lunch on the 23rd.

In addition to an evaluation of the current VEP activities we will be taking a serious look at VEP program objectives for the next three years. We would like very much to have you share in this session on the direction of VEP after 1968.

Please therefore mark these dates on your calendar and let us know if we may expect you at Capahosic.

A more detailed agenda and other information as to how to get to Capahosic will be forwarded to you at a later date.

We look forward to seeing you at Capahosic.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

April 30, 1968

Mrs. Mary-Louise H. Vance
Acquisitions Librarian
University of Houston
Cullen Boulevard
Houston, Texas 77004

Dear Mr. Vance:

Your letter of April 26, 1968, requesting information as to cost and availability of our publication of the Atlanta Housing Study has been received.

The Atlanta Housing Study publication is available and may be purchased at .50¢ per copy or .40¢ in bulk amounts. I am also enclosing a list of other publications printed by the Southern Regional Council for your information and possible interest.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Virginia M. Brown, Secretary
to Director, Project on Urban Planning
(Moreland Griffith Smith)

vmb

April 30, 1968

Mr. Malcolm D. Jones
Housing Coordinator
Housing Resources Committee
Room 1204, City Hall
68 Mitchell Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Jones:

Your letter and card, informing Mr. Moreland Smith of the meeting of the Housing Resources Committee at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, May 2nd, has been received.

Since Mr. Smith is on vacation, and out of the city until May 20th, I am sorry to say that he will not be able to attend the meeting as mentioned. Please find card enclosed indicating same.

I am sure Mr. Smith will be in contact with you upon his return to the office May 20th.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Virginia M. Brown, Secretary
to Mr. Moreland G. Smith

vmb

April 30, 1968

Very Rony
18 Avery Drive
Atlanta
Georgia

Vera:

Herewith.

It takes a Texan like Dugger to wield the ax.

Glenda Bartley

April 30, 1968

Emory Via
School for Workers
University of Wisconsin
Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Emory,

Thanks a bunch for sending me the welfare thing. A good holler was what I needed most. The prose even surpassed the daily high comedy of the New York Times--and that's saying a ~~bunch~~. lot.

Regards to Margaret.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley

P. S. I am enclosing a copy of the June 8, 1967 Confederate Government declaration of War on the Washington Government. All you southerners better come home and hep us.

April 30, 1968

Mr. Michael E. Rhddy
3102 63rd Avenue
Cheverly
Maryland

Dear Mr. Ruddy:

Under separate cover I am sending you information on voter registration, political participation, and population in Alexandria, Virginia. As your "questionnaire" does not require opinion, but merely statistical information, I am returning it along with the information.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

Mailed separately:
Virginia voter registration, 1964
Xeroxed copies of district election returns: Source: Congressional Quarterly.

April 300 1968

Mr. Lewis Black
20 Washington Street
Greensboro, Alabama

Dear Lewis:

Mrs. Vick will send your check for travel expense under separate cover. I am glad that the trip was successful.

Good luck to Mildred in the race for Board of Education.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

May 1, 1968

Mr. John Hertzler
President
Peninsula Council on Human Relations
54 Denbigh Boulevard
Newport News, Virginia

Dear Mr. Hertzler:

I understand from Mrs. Phyllis Conklin that I am to speak to the Peninsula Council at 7:30 on Monday, May 20. She mentioned that I might have dinner with you, which would help to brief me concerning the local situation. I would be happy to do so.

Enclosed is a brief biographical sketch.

My travel plans are incomplete, but I shall let you know when I plan to arrive and where I'll be staying.

Looking forward to meeting you, I am,

Yours truly,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl
cc: Phyllis Conklin
Enclosure

May 1, 1968

Mrs. Phyllis Conklin
Assistant Director
Virginia Council on Human Relations
17 East Cary Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Phyllis:

What is the latest word on my tour of the Tidewater?

As I understand it, now, I shall be with the Newport News Council (Peninsula Council) on Monday, May 20 at 7:30 and will talk to a combined meeting of the Norfolk and Virginia Beach Councils on Wednesday, May 22. Is the Portsmouth meeting still on for the 23rd, or were you able to switch it to Tuesday the 21st? Is anything scheduled for Tuesday the 21st?

Is Frank going to shepherd me in whole or in part? Or am I going solo?

Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl
Enclosure

May 1, 1968

Mrs. John C. Bradshaw, Jr.
Corresponding Secretary
Norfolk Human Relations Council
504 Rose Marie Avenue
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462

Dear Mrs. Bradshaw:

Thank you for your letter of April 28. I am looking forward to speaking to the Norfolk and Virginia Beach Councils on May 22.

Enclosed is a brief biographical sketch for publicity purposes. You might wish to mention that I reported the Memphis sanitation strike and the related civil rights struggle for the Southern Regional Council in a special report titled In Memphis: More Than A Garbage Strike and a supplement called In Memphis: Mirror to America.

Regrettably, I am unable to send a glossy photograph at this time.

I do not have from the state office the exact time and place of your meeting. Could you give me that information?

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enclosure

May 1, 1968

Mr. Ben Baldwin
WRNG Radio
P. O. Box 10094
Atlanta, Georgia 30319

Dear Ben:

I am enclosing information on the origins and aims of the Citizens' Council (that is the organization's correct title, the word "white" merely describes membership). The rather lengthy chapter from James Graham Cook's book was included to give you an idea of the sort of people who held offices in the national organization during the 1950's. Simmons is still editor of the organization's offical publication, The Citizen.

Hope all this stuff is useful!

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

Enclosures: several

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to Southwest Georgia

Following is a report of a field trip I made to Southwest Georgia on May 1, 1968. The places visited were Albany(Dougherty County), Calhoun County, and Clay County. The purpose of the trip was to look into funding possibilities for Dougherty County and to inspect existing projects in Clay and Calhoun Counties.

FIELD REPORT #19

Dougherty County

I spent about an hour talking with Mr. Thomas Chapmon of Albany, about the proposed registration drive he had discussed with you. He seemed very pleased to see me in Albany so soon after he had talked with you(I told him that we specialize in prompt and efficient service). I think we had a very frank and valuable discussion about VEP's aims and programs and Dougherty County's needs in the area of voter registration.

Chapmon wants to conduct a "good" registration drive in Dougherty County. He feels certain that he can organize key individuals in an attempt to have a productive drive. Most of these individuals are ministers who have been active in the past projects Chapmon has undertaken and in his words, "....people who are willing to do the work."

At that time, Mr. Chapmon had no made any of his contacts, but he was planning to call a meeting of some of his people to discuss the proposal and organize some parts of the drive. On the whole, he seemed genuine about what he intended doing.

The only problem I see in Albany is that of really doing a significant job in registering blacks. Albany, like many of the other "crisis cities," has never been able to get the kind of voter registration that it should have had after its many brutal confrontations with overt white racism. Our latest figures indicate that only 33.9% of the black voting age population is registered - a far cry from what it should be. And yet SNCC has been there, SCLC has been there, as has the NAACP - all having engaged in voter registration campaigns.

But, perhaps this is the time(as I hope it is) for an effort that will increase substantially the number of registered blacks in Dougherty County. At any rate, I am impressed with Mr. Chapmon's past activities in civil rights work and an certainly looking forward to seeing how they're going to do during the next few weeks.

Calhoun County

The project is Calhoun County was not doing very well when I was there. The main problems seemed to be a lack of proper organization, fear, apathy, and a general lack of knowledge about voter registration. And I think these problems are compounded by a seeming lack of help from Charles Sherrod and his aides.

To be sure, there were some people from Sherrod's group at the meeting I attended in Morgan on the night of May 1. The people who were there that night didn't know very much of anything about nothing. I'm not saying this disparagingly; I'm just being frank about it.

I had planned to conduct a workshop on some registration techniques on May 15, but was unable to do so because of my trip to Virginia. Hopefully I can go there in the near future to help them out. I do think we should continue helping them because it's important that blacks in Calhoun County organize around something and right now voter registration seems to be the only thing open to organization.

Blacks outnumber whites by almost 2 to 1 and I'm sure they could be a very effective force in the politics of the county and towns like Leary and Morgan if there were some way of increasing the present registration. About 22% of the black VAP is now registered.

So, I think we should try to impress upon Charlie Sherrod the need for his giving a hand to the "folks" in some of the southwest Georgia Counties. It was very hard for me to determine whether he's doing anything at all in Southwest Georgia.

Clay County

I drove throughout Clay County looking for Mrs. Mamie Kendrix and her Task Force Workers, but was unable to find any of them. I was told that Mrs. Kendrix was "doing some civil rights work" in Fort Gaines, the county seat. But I was still unable to find her, so I gave up looking. I gave her the benefit of the doubt and figured she must have been "doing some civil rights work" somewhere in the county.

On the whole, I think Clay County is probably doing much better than Calhoun County. In terms of reporting they look much better than Calhoun County and they are reporting more registrations than Calhoun is. I hope to find out for sure whenever I return to southwest Georgia.

(I hate to disappoint you this time, but there will be no poetry in this report - it pains me, but I must leave the office before 6:00 p.m.)

May 1, 1968

Mr. Willie James Stringer
Route 1, Box 70
Tyler, Alabama

Dear Mr. Stringer:

During the last week in March, I wrote and asked your help in a project I have undertaken for the Voter Education Project.

I am enclosing a copy of that original letter. I am also enclosing some forms I had sent in the original letter and a stamped return envelope. I hope you can find the time to fill them out and return them to me, and that you can participate in this project.

Since I received no response from you, I wonder if I could ask you to call me, collect, at (404) 524-0080 to set a time and date when I can interview you.

Please call me on May 6th, May 7th, May 8th or May 9th anytime during the day.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj
Enclosure

May 1, 1968

Mr. Matthew Jackson
c/o The Lowdnes County Christian Movement
P. O. Box 205
Haynesville, Alabama 36040

Dear Mr. Jackson:

During the last week in March, I wrote and asked your help in a project I have undertaken for the Voter Education Projedt.

I am enclosing a copy of that original letter. I am also enclosing some forms I had sent in the original letter and a stamped return envelope. I hope you can find the time to fill them out and return them to me, and that you can participate in this project.

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Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj
Enclosure

May 1, 1968

Mrs. Mary L. Mobley
President, UMCIO
705 Hyman Street
Williamston, North Carolina 27892

Dear Mrs. Mobley:

Unfortunately, the Voter Education Project did not get an opportunity to review your application for a grant prior to the above date. We had hoped to be able to make a grant to the Martin County VEP well in advance of the May primary.

Inasmuch as we failed to do that, we are willing to make you a grant after the May 4th primary, if the organization is still desirous of conducting a registration program. Please let us know if you are interested in a grant after the primary.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 1, 1968

Dr. Vivian Henderson
President
Clark College
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Vivian:

I am returning this to you since we are not going to use it. I will talk to you in a few days about a suggested format.

Regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 1, 1968

Mr. Elijah Coleman
Executive Director
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Mr. Coleman:

I wonder whether I might ask you to call me collect at (404) 524-0080 at any time during the first four days of next week.

I am anxious to interview you during the next week if I can, and hope you can find some time in your busy schedule to join the other Negro political hopefuls who have been interviewed so far.

Incidentially, I have not received a response from my original letter to J. C. Hamilton, Dennis Curry and DeArthur Grice. I had written them in care of Edwin Evans in Moscow, Arkansas.

Do you know of any better addresses for them? Any help you can give me would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

May 1, 1968

Mr. Tommy Wrenn
1901 North 18th Place
Apartment #1
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Tommy:

You are a hard man to catch.

Could I ask you to call me collect at (404) 524-0080 anytime during the day on May 6th, 7th, 8th, or 9th?

I really want to interview you. As I mentioned earlier, it will only take about one-half hour.

I know you are busy across the state, but I hope you can find a half-hour for this.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

May 1,
~~April~~, 1968

Mr. Eugene Peoples
Route 1, Box 72
Tyler, Alabama

Dear Mr. Peoples:

During the last week in March I wrote and aksed your help in a project I have undertaken for the Voter Education Project.

I am enclosing a copy of that original letter. I am also enclosing some forms I had sent in the original letter and a stamped return envelope. I hope you can find the time to fill them out and return them to me, and that you can participate in this project.

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Enclosure

May 1,
~~April,~~ 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Vernon E. Jordan

Please send 50 copies of the summary of the Riot Commission Report to Donald G. Webster at HUD. Label is attached.

Many thanks.

May 1, 1968

Miss Curtina Moreland
P.O. Box 541
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Miss Moreland:

Thanks for your letter expressing interest in working this summer in voter registration. In response thereto, the Voter Education Project is pleased to offer you summer employment at the rate of $75.00 per week, effective at such time that you are out of school. We are not in a position to say at this time whether or not we will assign you to Nashville, Atlanta or your native Cordele, Georgia. Tony Dunbar, a student at New York University, who will serve as coordinator of interns will be in touch with you about the training sessions and your assignment at a later date.

If you accept our offer for summer employment, please let us know by return mail and enclose therewith your Social Security No. It would also be very helpful to us if we had a note recommending you by at least two persons.

Looking forward to having you join us this summer.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 1, 1968

Mr. Tony Dunbar
1875 University Avenue
Apt. 66
Bronx, New York

Dear Tony:

First I want to apologize for the delay in responding to your inquiry about summer work at VEP. Of course we are delighted that you want to return and look forward to you joining the staff about the 1st of June.

Tony, I would like to have you coordinate the summer student intern program for VEP. We are anticipating making a large number of grants to begin about June 1, for eight to ten week periods. We plan to assign students to work with these projects throughout the region. Their activities and reports to the VEP will need coordination and direction. I think, based on your experience last summer, that you can help us give that direction. You will be working directly under Weldon Rougeau.

Before sending students out on the field, I think a two-day training session in Atlanta will be necessary. You, along with Weldon Rougeau, Thad Olive, Marvin Wall, and Julian Bond, will have to plan and implement the training sessions, but the responsibility is primarily yours. So, you might be thinking about that.

VEP will pay you at the rate of $75.00 per week, plus the insurance coverage that we provided you last year. You will be based in Atlanta but some travel will be expected of you.

Looking forward to seeing you aroung June 1.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 1, 1968

Mr. Dwight Jackson
3409 Pamlico Drive, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jackson:

This is to confirm, per our conversation a week or so ago, that the Voter Education Project has selected you as a student intern effective April 27, through May 31st, at the rate of $50.00 per week,,to work with the All Citizens Registration Committee. You should by now have received a check from our office for the first week's work.

The one requirement that we make of our interns is a semi-monthly report of their activities. May we therefore have a written report submitted to our office not later than Monday, May 6 and May 27. These reports should set forth your activities and work with the All Citizens Registration Committee.

Your inquired about summer employment during our conversation. Students are employed at the same rate that you received last summer. Your continuance as an intern for the summer will largely depend upon how well your internship works out between now and May 31st.

Sincerely

VEP

May 1, 1968

Mr. Robert A. DeLeon
645 Beckwith Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Mr. DeLeon:

In response to your letter of inquiry regarding summer employment, this is to inform you that the VEP is offering you a summer internship at the rate of $75.00 per week, plus a modest insurance coverage. It is likely that you will be assigned to work the entire summer in the Atlanta area. It may be that you will be staying two or three weeks in other areas depending upon our needs.

Tony Dunbar, a student at New York University, who will serve as coordinator of interns will be in touch with you about the training sessions and your assignment at a later date.

If you accept our offer for summer employment, please let us know by return mail and enclose therewith your Social Security Number. It would also be helpful to us if we had a note recommending you by at least two persons.

Looking forward to having you join us this summer.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

May 1, 1968

Miss Paula I. Whatley
Box 449, Hill Hall
University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104

Dear Miss Whatley:

In response to your letter of inquiry regarding summer employment, this is to inform you that the VEP is offering you a summer internship at the rate of $75.00 per week, plus a modest insurance coverage. It is likely that you will be assigned to work the entire summer in the Atlanta area. It may be that you will be staying two or three weeks in other areas depending upon our needs.

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If you accept our offer for summer employment, please let us know by return mail and enclose therewith your Social Security Number. It would also be helpful to us if we had a note recommending you by at least two persons.

Looking forward to having you join us this summer.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

May 1, 1968

Mr. Nathaniel R. Jackson, Jr.
367 Collier Ridge Drive
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jackson:

The Voter Education Project is interested in having you participate in its summer internship program. Summer interns will be paid at the rate of $75.00 per week. If you have an interest in our program, please get in touch with me immediately, so that we might arrange a time for you to come in and discuss what we would like for you to do this summer.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

cc: Ben Brown

May 1, 1968

Mr. Bernard Gaillard
851 Clifton Court Circle
Atlanta, Georgia 30322

Dear Mr. Gaillard:

The Voter Education Project is interested in having you participate in its summer internship program. Summer interns will be paid at the rate of $75.00 per week. If you have an interest in our program, please get in touch with me immediately, so that we might arrange a time for you to come in and discuss what we would like for you to do this summer.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj

May 2, 1968

Dear Herman:

Just a note to commend you on the enclosed article and to say keep working hard and doing good, for you are indeed my leader.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Mr. Herman J. Russell
504 Fair Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30315

May 2, 1968

Miss Roslyn L. Warrior
1656 Simpson Road, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Roslyn:

This is to confirm per our conversation several weeks ago that the VEP is anticipating your participation in our summer internship program. The salary this year will be somewhere between $60 and $75 per week.

Please let us know if we may expect you to join us again. We certainly hope so.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 2, 1968

Office of the Mayor
City Hall
Wichita Falls, Texas

Dear Sir:

The Voter Education Project endeavors to keep a list of all Negro officials elected in the South. I recently ran across an item which stated that Wichita Falls had elected a Negro to its City Council. However, the item did not give the name of the successful candidate.

I would be very grateful if your office could furnish me with a news clipping or a copy of a news clipping giving the name of the successful candidate and other details about his election.

We deeply appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 2, 1968

Mr. Frank Parker
Staff Attorney
United States Commission on Civil Rights
Washington, D. C. 20425

Dear Frank:

Many thanks for the page proofs of Appendix VI of your forthcoming report. Thanks also for the credit given to the Voter Education Project.

Julian already has written you about several typographical errors, some of which were our fault. I am returning the page proofs indicating those typographical errors which we were able to find and also indicating names which should be added. Julian mentioned Jolliff and I suggested that his name be left on the list. He served nearly three months and was serving as of the date of the list which was February 1, 1968. Likewise I would also leave Sheriff Bradby of Charles City County, Virginia on the list. He was found dead on March 25, but was in office as of the date of the list. The two Louisiana names were not known to us at the time we put the list together.

As you know we have looked forward with some interest in seeing this report. Judging from a quick look at the proofs sent to Julian it will be an interesting and valuable report. Take care and come to see us.

Cordially,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

May 2, 1968

Mr. Herman Lodge
Executive Secretary
Burke County Improvement Association
P. O. Box 347
Waynesboro, Georgia 30830

Dear Mr. Lodge:

I am enclosing the flyer I received from the Army Depot in Forrest Park.

The bus is item 133 on page 5.

I don't know if it is exactly what you want, but there it is. I hope you can finally get the busses you want.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj
Enclosure

May 2, 1968

Mrs. Yvonne Perkins
Post Office Box 701
Opelika, Alabama 36801

Dear Mrs. Perkins:

Please excuse this long delay in answering your letter of inquiry. Our affairs have been a bit confused during the month of April, as I am sure you understand.

Unfortunately, we have no positions available at this time. Moreover, the scope of programs which we administer directly is very limited, and we have nothing in our immediate plans which would utilize your interest and skill in special education.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

MEMORANDUM **May 2, 1968**

To: The Staff

From: Paul Anthony

Our last monthly billing from the Xerox Corporation for the cost of the coping maching was $659.04. We simply don't have this kind of money, and if we did, it should be used for other purposes. This is to urgently request that you limit your coping to only essentials.

May 2, 1968

Mr. Will Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council
 on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27401

Dear Will:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,250.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid to the North Carolina Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors'. 2

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl
Enclosures 2

May 3, 1968

Mr. Oscar Cohen
Anti-Defamation League
  of B'nai B'rith
315 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Oscar:

Thank you for the comments about New South. I shall share them with those who did the job. I agree with you it is an excellent job.

The summary booklets of the Kerner Report are proving to be very much in demand. Is there any chance for another 5,000 copies?

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 3, 1968

Mr. Norman H. Perlstein
Brotherhood-in-Action, Inc.
560 Seventh Avenue
New York, New York 10018

Dear Norm:

Thanks for the copy of Cassandra's summary which seems quite adequate to me.

I am, today, writing the major participants to express my thanks also.

I'm having some second thoughts about a big conference doing the job we all want done, and about the money that would be involved. However, this is obviously a major part of our purpose of the next meeting.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM May 3, 1968

To: Janet Smith

From: Paul Anthony

Please have sent 900 copies of the summary of the Kerner Report to:

Mr. Norman Wolfson
Temple Sinai
3100 Military Road
Washington, D. C.

Mr. Wolfson should be billed for these.

May 3, 1968

Mr. Robert F. Smith
Employer Relations Supervisor
Georgia Department of Labor
Georgia State Employment Service
1 Peachtree Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Smith:

This will confirm our conversation of yesterday regarding summer employment for Mr. J. Peter A. Readman.

We can offer Mr. Readman employment for a period of approximately eight weeks at a salary of $80.00 per week. The work will be of a rather routine nature, probably related to clipping items of interest from the approximate 20 newspapers to which we subscribe. I do think, however, if Mr. Readman has an interest in learning about race relations in this region that he would find his associations here of interest.

It is a pleasure cooperating with you in this project.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

May 3, 1968

Mr. J. L. LeFlore
Room 5, Franklin Building
578 Davis Avenue
Mobile, Alabama 36601

Dear Mr. LeFlore:

Thank you very much for your contribution of $5.00.

Under separate cover we are sending you 100 copies of the summary reprint of the Kerner Report which you have requested. We do not have copies of the full report, except those which are on file in our library. However, we have found that for general use, the summary is quite adequate. I hope you can use them. There is no cost.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 3, 1968

Bernice,

Please have packaged up 100 copies of the Kerner Report reprints and mail to Mr. J. L. LeFlore, Mobile, Alabama. (Label attached).

thanx, mmy

May 3, 1968

Mr. James Gibson
The Potomac Institute, Inc.
1501 - 18th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Jim:

Thanks again for your participation in the meeting last week, and your contributions to it. The afternoon session was a very good one and I am sorry you could not be with us.

Hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 3, 1968

Dr. Lewis Jones
Tuskegee Institute
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

Dear Lewis:

Thanks again for your participation in the meeting last week, and for your considerable contributions to it.

I look forward to being with you again in about a week.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 3, 1968

Mr. Paul Ylvisaker
Commissioner
New Jersey Department of Community
Affairs
State Capitol
Trenton, New Jersey

Dear Paul:

While we were all sorry you could not be with us at our meeting last week, your paper was extremely helpful to our discussions. I appreciate your sharing it with us.

Hope to see you one of these days.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 3, 1968

Mr. James Youngdahl
711 West Third Street
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Jim:

Enclosed is a paper prepared recently by Dr. Lewis Jones of Tuskegee Institute which may be of some help to you. I think, too, Jones would be a good potential witness as well as a reliable source of suggestions for others. You might also want to make this inquiry of Miss Fay Bennett, Executive Director, National Sharecroppers Fund, 112 East 19th Street, New York, New York 10003.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure

May 3, 1968

Mrs. Katherine Reece
Secretary
Florida Council on Human Relations
639 Hammock Road
Melbourne, Florida 32901

Dear Mrs. Reece:

I think the enclosed will give you the information you requested in your letter of April 28th.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure: Encampment for Citizenship Brochure

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May 3, 1968

Mr. Frank Smith
405 New Sprankle Building
Knoxville, Tennessee 37902

Dear Frank:

Your account of your visit to "Ole Miss" was a delight, and literally made my day. Thank you for sharing it with me.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 3, 1968

Mr. Vincent C. Watson
2719 Hartzell Street
Evanston, Illinois 60201

Dear Mr. Watson:

Regrettably we do not have at the moment a opening in which you would be interested.

I am, however, sharing your letter with a member of our staff, Mr. Edwin Stanfield, who has been helpful in several instances in making suggestions for employment. You will be hearing from him soon if he has anything to offer.

Thank you for thinking of the Council and I hope you are successful in making the change. With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/km

Enclosure - 1 (NAIRO Newsletter)

May 3, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ed Stanfield

FROM: Paul Anthony

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We have about 30 copies of the report "Their Daily Bread" - - the study of the national school lunch program. What do you think of sharing them with the best of our interagency list?

PA/km

May 3, 1968

Dr. Hugh Davis Graham
Institute of Southern History
Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Hugh:

I wrote Michael Flusche telling him to come on down. He ought to be able to get a dissertation out of our files. While he's poking around, I hope he will sort out some old stuff that we hope to have microfilmed in the future. I keep Eugene Talmadge information as a private preserve, but other than that, there is a bunch of "history."

By the way, thanks for the acknowledgment in your book.

As to cheer, I think the phrase going around during Arnall's campaign, parodying his book, is apropos: The Scene Shore Is Dim.

Regards to Ann and ?

Glenda

May 3, 1968

Mr. Michael A. Flusche
Department of History
Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Mr. Flusche:

We look forward to having you work at Southern Regional Council. Please let me know when you plan to arrive in Atlanta--we'll have work for you to do; and members of the staff may be able to help you find a place to live.

My regards to Hugh Graham.

Sincerely,

Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

May 3, 1968

Mrs. Bolton N. Lunceford
Director of Public Relations & Publicity
1374 W. Peachtree Street N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Mrs. Lunceford:

Thank you very much for the invitation to participate in the panel discussion at Theatre Atlanta last Sunday. I enjoyed myself and was delighted to be there.

As promised, I am enclosing some materials about the Southern Regional Council and the Voter Education Project. These should partly explain what we are trying to do in the South. I hope you find them informative.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

Enclosures

May 3, 1968

Mr. Theodore Miller
Student Government Association
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Miller:

Sometime ago I was present at a meeting you and members of the student body had with the president of your school and I promised to send you the enclosed report on Orangeburg. Sorry I took so long.

Best Wishes.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

Enclosure 1

VEP 68-79

May 3, 1968

Mrs. Kathleen Bynum
Houston County Development Committee
102 Washington Avenue
Warner Robins, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Bynum:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Houston County Development Committee for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Perry, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program, restricted to Perry, Georgia, in the amount of $1,250.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from May 9 to July 4, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Four (4) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	480.00
Transportation		225.00
Telephone		30.00
Supplies		50.00
Office Rent		65.00
		$ 1,250.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d_ problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: William Peace

May 3, 1968

Mr. Marvin V. Daniel
11300 W. St. Martins Road
Franklin, Wisconsin 53132

Dear Mr. Daniel:

I am sorry to say we do not have any information about Baltimore because our region covers the eleven states that stretch from Virginia to Texas and it does not include Maryland. However, we have had a number of requests from students at Loyola College of Baltimore. Two of these are Michael J. Auer, 5547 Dolores Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, 21227 and Timothy Dooley, 300 Maple Lane, Glen Burnie, Maryland, 21061. Perhaps they can be of some assistance to you in assembling the information you desire.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 3, 1968

Mr. K. L. Beier
1937 South 21 Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53204

Dear Mr. Beier:

I am sorry to say we do not have any information about Baltimore because our region covers the eleven states that stretch from Virginia to Texas and it does not include Maryland. However, we have had a number of requests from students at Loyala College of Baltimore. Two of these are Michael J. Auer, 5547 Dolores Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, 21227 and Timothy Dooley, 300 Maple Lane, Glen Burnie, Maryland, 21061. Perhaps they can be of some assistance to you in assembling the information you desire.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 3, 1968

Mr. Mitchell Sviridoff
Vice President
Division of National Affairs
The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mike:

Sorry you can't be with us at Capahosic. I had very much hoped that you could be present. If possible, we would like very much for you to send someone in your place.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 3, 1968

Mr. William Samuels
Director
Louisiana VEP
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Dear Bill:

The VEP's Advisory Committee is meeting at Capahosic again this year on June 21-23. You are expected to be present and prepared to make a full report of your activities for the past year and/or operative period. While your presentation should be a capsule of the work of the State VEP, you should be prepared to answer any questions that the Committee and/or the VEP staff may have.

You are expected to be in Capahosic in time for dinner on Friday the 21st and we will be there until Sunday afternoon. Your presence is a must.

Travel expenses will be reimbursed as always. If these dates present any problems for you, please let us know at your earliest convenience.

J Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 3, 1968

Mr. James Felder
Director
South Carolina VEP
1125 Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Jimmy:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

VEP 68-23

May 3, 1968

The Reverend H. I. Ewing
President
The Lincoln County Voter Registration Project
326 West College Street
Fayetteville, Tennessee 37334

Dear Mr. Ewing:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Lincoln County Voter Registration Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Lincoln County, Tennessee. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,600.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from May 27 to July 19, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	200.00
Six (6) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	720.00
Transportation		300.00
Printing and Postage		60.00
		$ 1,600.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

May 3, 1968

Mrs. Mamie Kendrick
Route 2, Box 114
Fort Gaines, Georgia 31751

Dear Mrs. Kendrick:

I too, am very sorry that I missed seeing you when I was in Clay County. I looked for you and just could not find you anywhere around Fort Gaines. Apparently you were doing the work that needs to be done.

Before I go back to Clay County, I will let you know when to expect me. I hope I'll be able to meet you and the other workers in the county.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 3, 1968

Mr. Joel L. Fleishman
Associate Provost for Urban Studies & Programs
1984 Yale Station
493 College Street
New Haven, Connecticut 06520

Dear Joel:

Last week I received the applications and a bulletin from the Law School. Thank you for having them sent to me. I am planning to apply for admission shortly after September 1st.

I am certainly looking forward to Law School. More than ever, I can see the need for young blacks to prepare themselves in the professions for service to black communities. Words are not enough in a revolution; expertise gets things done.

Vernon, Julian, and Thad send their regards.

Take care in these days of academic turmoil.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 3, 1968

The Rev. Francis X Walter
Selma Inter-Religious Project
801 - 29th Avenue
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401

Dear Francis:

Thanks much for the newsletter. I enjoyed reading it and thought it was the kind of thing others would like to read. I wish you every success in your work.

When you see Mrs. Witherspoon and Miss McMillan, tell them that I am still looking forward to hearing from them about voter registration in Wilcox County. I hope they are still interested.

Take care.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 3, 1968

Mr. William Miles
Florida Council on Human Relations
5225 Ponce de Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida 33124

Dear Bill:

Thanks for the pictures of the parade in the Grove. As I stated before, you have done a splendid job and we're all very happy about it.

Regards to all of the workers and Angie.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 3, 1968

Mr. Theodore J. Weeden
The Division of Humanities
Shaw University
Raleigh, North Carolina 27602

Dear Mr. Weeden:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 2, inquiring about employment for the summer. Our summer program is limited to student interns who are interested in voter registration and voter education. Beyond that, we have no summer openings.

I am taking the liberty of passing your letter on to Mr. J. E. Stanfield, Director of Field Activities for SRC, who may have some suggestions.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

cc: Mr. J. E. Standfield

May 3, 1968

Mr. John A. Davis
Convener
American Society of African Culture
101 Park Avenue
Room 938
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Davis:

Thanks so much for the invitation to join the Committee for Nigerian-Biafran Reconciliation. While I am intensely interested, the pressures of time are of such that I will not be able to render even the nominal service that you mentioned.

Thanks again for asking me.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 3, 1968

Miss Patricia White
790 Concourse Village W.
Bronx, New York

Dear Pat:

Thanks for that warm note of last week. It is always a pleasure to help pretty girls. I only regret that I was not able to get a job nailed down for you before you left.

However, if you "keep the faith" I am sure everything will work out all right.

Best wishes and good luck to you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 3, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear John:

The VEP's Advisory Committee is meeting at Capahosic again this year on June 21-23. You are expected to be present and prepared to make a full report on your activities for the past year. While your presentation should be a capsule of your work of the State VEP, you should be prepared to answer any questions that the Committee and/or the VEP staff may have.

You are expected to be in Capasoeic in time for dinner on Friday the 21st and we will be there until Sunday afternoon. Your presence is a must.

Travel expenses will be reimbursed as always. If these dates present any problems for you, please let us know at your earliest convenience.

John, please bring Bill Towe with all of his papers, etc.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 3, 1968

The Reverend Benjamin Grinage
Director
Arkansas Voter Education Project
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Ben:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 3, 1968

Mr. Nils R. Douglas
Attorney at Law
Collins, Douglas & Elie
1110 Medallion Tower
344 Camp Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Nils:

In response to your inquiry about guidelines for determining which of several groups should be funded in a given community, there are none. What we try to do is to bring several groups together where factualism exist because we find that money is often a unifying force, especially for a limited time.

In other situations, however, we have had to make choices between groups. We have not always made the right choice, but our batting average is very high. In essence, I am saying that the decision is in part intuitive guess based on our experience in dealing with groups throughout the region. I am certain that this is all very unclear, but maybe we could deal with it better if we know what groups and what town.

Thanks so much for your memo on the last meeting of the La. VEP's Steering Committee.

Sorry I was not here when you called on your way to New York.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

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May 3, 1968

Mr. James Brown
Chairman
Giles and Lawrence County Voter
Education and Registration Project
410 North First Street
Pulaski, Tennessee 38478

Dear Mr. Brown:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Giles and Lawrence County Voter Education and Registration Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Giles and Lawrence Counties, Tennessee. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for Giles County and $1,500.00 for Lawrence County for a period of eight weeks to run from May 9 to July 4, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

GILES COUNTY

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	200.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		320.00
Printing and Postage		60.00
		$ 1,500.00

LAWRENCE COUNTY

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $25.00 per week	200.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	600.00
Transportation		320.00
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A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report is also required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

May 3, 1968

Mr. Mitchell Sviridoff
Vice President
Division of National Affairs
The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
New York, New York

Dear Mike:

Sorry you can't be with us at Capahosic. I had very much hoped you could be present. If possible, please send someone in your place.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 3, 1968

Mr. William C. Archie
Executive Director
Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, Inc.
Reynolda
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Archie:

We regret that it appears that you cannot come to the meeting of the VEP's Advisory Committee at Capahosic. We would like very much to have William Bondurant come in your stead. I met Mr. Bondurant at the Foundation luncheon in New York in February, and we had quite a good talk. So please tell him that we are looking forward to having him join us in our Capahosic meeting.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

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May 3, 1968

Mrs. Mamie Nelson
President
Lee County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 149
Mariana, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Nelson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Lee County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Lee County, Arkansas. We are pleased to inform you that we have approve your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of six weeks to run from May 10 to June 21, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 300.00
Seven (7) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	630.00
Office Rent		60.00
Transportation		250.00
Telephone		25.00
Office Supplies		35.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
Secretary	@ $25.00 per week	150.00

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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May 3, 1968

Mrs. B. H. Netherland
President
Knoxville Branch, NAACP
1856 Prospect Place
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Netherland:

The Votex Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Knoxville Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a votdr registration drive in Knox County, Tennessee. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from May 9 to July 4, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 400.00
Secretary	@ $35.00 per week	280.00
Seven (7) Task Force Workess	@ $15.00 per week	840.00
Transportation		500.00
Rent		125.00
Telephone		125.00
Supplies		125.00
Printing and Postage		105.00
		$ 2,500.00

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

May 6, 1968

Professor Joseph P. Witherspoon
School of Law
University of Texas
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Joe:

Lest I forget, I found out from Mr. Donald Hollowell, a Negro attorney on our Board, that there are about 42 Negro lawyers in the state of Georgia. Of these no more than 30 are engaged in the practice of law. The rest are in government or some other administrative position.

Outside the city of Atlanta there are only about 10. Examples: two in Augusta; two in Savannah; two in Macon; one in Albany.

Mr. Hollowell could not be more precise than this, because, as he said, "there may be two or three in government agencies that we don't even know about."

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

MEMORANDUM

May 6, 1968

TO: Paul Anthony

FROM: Ed Stanfield

Frank Adams told me, in a telephone conversation this morning, that his executive committee voted last Saturday to recommend to the VCHR Board adoption of alternative two on page 4 of his memorandum of April 12, 1968:

> That the Virginia Council on Human Relations retrench, closing the state office and eliminating all staff except the executive director who would operate out of his (or her) private home with SRC grant-in-aid funds.

An implicate of this decision is elimination of the membership base of VCHR -- or, rather, simply discontinuing recruitment of members.

Frank says that they will phase out the office operation by July 1. He has given 60 days notice to the landlord. They have guaranteed Roberta McClarty's salary through June.

Frank expects to continue in Richmond in some manner, at least until the end of this year. He hopes to develop some sort of leadership training center, which he describes as a "Highlander Center-type institution."

There will be a VCHR Board meeting on June 8, and I strongly recommend that one or the other of us, or both, attend. It might be wise, also to arrange for Frank to come down for a talk at some time when you will be available.

May 6, 1968

The Reverend John W. Aldridge
Idlewild Presbyterian Church
Memphis Tennessee 38104

Dear Mr. Aldridge:

A friend brought me a clipping from the *Commercial Appeal* which indicates that you have resigned as Assistant Pastor at Idlewilde and, also, that Memphis Presbytery adopted the report that your committeeehad exceeded its authority.

The account said that the Stated Clerk claimed Presbytery's action was purely an administrative one and that approval of the request for $5,000 from the Board of National Ministries tended to prove as much. As a former stated clerk (!), I understand the technical difference between a commission and a committee, but I gather, nevertheless, that the majority of the Presbytery disapproved of the substance of your committee's action, as well as the technical irregularity.

If that is true, the situation seems quite different from what you thought it to be when I talked to you last time. What about it? Has the *Outlook* or anybody taken up the cudgels in your behalf?

Needless to say, I am sorry, for more than one reason, to hear that you ran into this reaction.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

May 6, 1968

Mr. James E. Pike
Tennessee Microfilms
P. O. Box 1096
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

Dear Jim:

Please excuse my delay in answering your letter. Since the Southern Regional Council now clips an adequate number of newspapers, we do not need the SERS microfilm supplement.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

jcs

May 6, 1968

Mr. Jack Bass
The Charlotte Observer
605 Columbia Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Jack:

I am afraid I grievously erred in saying what we pay for the round-up pieces. Fifty dollars is the going rate. In the hope that you will still do it, I am sending along the past three issues. Please call Bob Anderson here (522-8764; area code 404) collect and let him know whether you can do it for this issue -- the deadline for which is May 15.

It was good talking with you the other morning. Let's keep in touch.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

May 6, 1968

Mr. Donald Miller
Field Representative
Office of Economic Opportunity
408 Vincent Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Don:

Thank you for your good note. I have passed on your suggestion about the need for a report on the Athens, Georgia, situation to Bob Anderson here. You are right; I hope we can get to it.

Keep in touch.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

May 6, 1968

Mr. Courtney Siceloff
Penn Community Center
Frogmore, South Carolina

Dear Courtney:

It was good seeing you all, and your wonderful place at long last. Some day soon, I hope, I'm going to get back down and go see Defuskey Island.

Meantime, please help me with a small embarrassment. I had the gentleman from South Florida write his name and address down to be put on our mailing list, and find I can't read his signature. Could you provide me with his last name? (The rest I can make out.)

Also, you mentioned literature about the Penn Center. Could you send me that, too?

Best wishes.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

May 6, 1968

Miss Viola A. Sawyer
School of Library Science
Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida 32304

Dear Miss Sawyer:

I hope the following answers your questions.

1. The authors were in Orangeburg for three days immediately after the tragedy there.

2. Mr. Watters, who holds an M.A. degree in journalism, is a writer, with 11 years experience as a southern newspaperman and five years experience as director of information for the Southern Regional Council. He has contributed articles to the New York Times Magazine, Atlantic, Reporter, Dissent, New Republic, Nation, Progressive, New South, and other periodicals, and is co-author with Reese Cleghorn of Climbing Jacob's Ladder: The Arrival of Negroes in Southern Politics, published in 1967 by Harcourt, Brace, and World, Inc. He has covered southern race relations stories since the sit-ins.

3. Mr. Rougeau is a recent graduate of Loyola University (Chicago) and since September 1, has been field director for

the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council. Prior to attending Loyola, he was employed for two years as a field secretary for the Congress of Racial Equality. He was also a leader of the 1961 student demonstrations at Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

We would be very much interested in seeing your study when it is done.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

May 6, 1968

Dr. Jorge Lara-Braud, Director
Hispanic-American Institute
100 East 27th Street
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Dr. Lara-Braud:

It was a pleasure meeting you at the LULAC convention. Our conversation was very helpful to me.

Under separate cover I am sending you a packet of selected publications of ours, including one of our "Special Reports," an attitude study, and a couple of issues of NEW SOUTH.

I believe I mentioned to you that we have been wanting to publish some pieces dealing with the Mexican-American minority. We have in the works a study on the attitudes of Mexican-American young people in San Antonio, similar to BLACK YOUTH IN A SOUTHERN METROPOLIS. I talked today to Robert Anderson, Editor of NEW SOUTH, about a general introductory article for the magazine. I told him you would be eminently qualified to write such an article, and he asked me to encourage you to submit one. If you have the time and inclination, I believe it would be a genuine service to our readers and worthwhile from the standpoint of the purposes of the Hispanic-American Institute.

Such an article might be keyed to La Raza Unida~~s~~ movement. For our readers, however, you should assume nothing and should make the treatment elementary. (Our readers are probably above average intelligence, but are not likely to be informed about Mexican-Americans in the Southwest.) You might elaborate on such things as the low educational levels mentioned in your Texas Presbyterian article, for example. Something about police brutality would be good, as would discriminatory treatment in courts, hiring practices, appointment to municipal boards and agencies, etc. The problem of the language of instruction in schools would be importnat to bring out. You might want to mention the fragmentation of the Mexican-American community, as background for La Raza Unidas. ?

Incidentally, the Summer, 1967, issue of NEW SOUTH which I am sending is more typical than the Winter, 1968, issue. You might wish to read a couple of articles in it to get the feel of the publication.

I enclose a reprint of an article in the June, 1967, Atlantic, which I am sure you saw. I did not talk to Bob about it, but it may be suggestive of the kind of introductory material we need.

About 3000 words would be a good length. We pay -- so modestly that I hesitate to mention it -- but it perhaps would help to rationalize your taking time to do the piece!

If you are interested, we would like to aim for the Summer issue. The deadline would be "about" the middle of July. Sooner would be better.

I do hope you are interested and can see your way clear to do this. Let me hear from you.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl
Enclosure

May 6, 1968

Mr. Lee J. Price
The American Jewish Committee
Harfford Building, Suite 526
100 Edgewood Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Jack:

Thanks for sending the dope on Memphis. Very helpful.

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

May 6, 1968

Mr. Whitworth Stokes, Jr.
3313 West End Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Whit:

Thank you for the invitation to address the ACLU of Tennessee. I am flattered.

I could come one night next week -- say the 15th or 16th -- but am already committed for the rest of May.

Let me know.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

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May 6, 1968

Mrs. J. H. Hall
Secretary
Bedford County Voter Education Council
113 Bethany Lane
Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160

Dear Mrs. Hall:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Bedford County Voter Education Council for a grant to coordinate programs of voter registration and citizenship education in Bedford County, Tennessee. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from May 9 to July 4, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
(6) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	720.00
Transportation		350.00
Office Supplies		50.00
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Our Director of Research, Marvin Hall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Hordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

May 6, 1968

Mrs. B. H. Netherland
President
Knoxville Branch, NAACP
1856 Prospect Place
Knoxville, Tennessee 37915

Dear Mrs. Netherland:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 6, 1968

The Reverend H. I. Ewing
President
The Lincoln County Voter Registration Project
326 West College Street
Fayetteville, Tennessee 37334

Dear Mr. Ewing:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 6, 1968

Mr. James Brown
Chairman
Giles and Lawrence County Voter
Education and Registration Project
410 North First Street
Pulaski, Tennessee 38478

Dear Mr. Brown:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 6, 1968

Mrs. Kathleen Bynum
Houston County Development Committee
102 Washington Avenue
Warner Robins, Georgia 31093

Dear Mrs. Bynum:

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 6, 1968

Mrs. Mamie Nelson
President
Lee County Branch, NAACPA
P. O. Box 149
Mariana, Arkansas 72360

Dear Mrs. Nelson:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

MEMORANDUM

May 7, 1968

TO: Paul Anthony

FROM: Ed Stanfield

Will Allred called yesterday afternoon (after I had written my memo to you about Frank Adams' call) to say that he and his policy board also would have to contemplate a retrenchment similar to that of the Virginia Council.

He said it would be up to the Board, of course, but the cut-back would probably come in September.

His call was specifically to ask whether the current grant-in-aid could be continued until the end of the year under those circumstances. I assured him that it could be.

May 7, 1968

Mr. Hubert D. Thomas
Field Director
Georgia Council on Human Relations
52 Fairlie Street, Northwest
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Thomas:

In response to your letter of May 6, this is to confirm that we will pay consultant fees, not to exceed $150.00, plus reasonable expenses, for Mrs. Mildred Black or someone else of equal experience in bookkeeping procedures for credit unions to assist the Unified Singers Federal Credit Union of Thomas County in setting up suitable accounting procedures.

If it is satisfactory to you, please ask your consultant to submit a statement for consultant fees, together with an expense account, directly to me.

We wish this new credit union every success and appreciate your efforts in forming it.

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

May 7, 1968

Mr. Noyes Collinson, Director
Employment on Merit Program
American Friends Service Committee, Inc.
41 Exchange Place, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Collinson:

Your memorandum of April 30, 1968, with reference to the Buffet Supper Meeting Thursday, May 16th at 5:30 p.m., has been received.

Since Mr. Moreland G. Smith is out of the city on vacation, I am writing in his behalf to say that he will not be able to attend.

Mr. Smith will return to the office May 20th, and I am sure he would like to hear from you at this time.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Virginia M. Brown
Secretary to Mr. M. G. Smith

vmb

May 7, 1968

Mr. Thomas Wahman
New York Foundation
4 West 58th Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Wahman:

Relative to my discussions with you and Mr. Heyman this is to request the consideration of the Foundation of a grant of $10,000 in support of the general operations of the Southern Regional Council.

In our structure the term "general operations" encompasses not only administrative expenditures, but also the heart of our program work as well. It includes, for instance, the total cost of our field operations and much of our research, information, and publication programs.

We have always found it difficult to raise funds for general operations since, of course, most foundations prefer to sponsor specific projects.

This situation continues and creates a considerable hardship for us because of rising costs. In the past the New York Foundation has been very generous in recognizing our need in this area, and in responding to it. We shall be deeply grateful for any consideration you can give to this further request.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 7, 1968

Mr. James McBride Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina 29104

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Mrs. Hunter at Rich's said that both the Warren and Wilkinson books are out of print. She will keep trying to get them for you, but there is not much chance of success. Is there a library nearby through which you could arrange an inter-library loan? If so, perhaps I could locate the books at the Atlanta University or Emory libraries.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Glenda Bartley
Research Assistant

jcs

May 7, 1968

Mr. Thomas Wahman
New York Foundation
4 West 58th Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Wahman:

This is to request the consideration of the New York Foundation of a grant of $10,000 in support of the Council's Voter Education Project.

As our recent report on this Project indicates, one of the major new thrusts of the Project is an effort to provide assistance and information, on a non-partisan basis, to newly elected Negro public officials in the region. Should the Foundation find it possible to support this request we should like to use these funds in that area.

More specifically, we should like to experiment with the possibilities of involving Negro colleges and universities in the process of assisting and, perhaps on a very modest basis, creating some formal structure at those institutions.

We shall be most grateful for any assistance the Foundation can provide.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 7, 1968

Dr. Irma O. Sternberg
5468 Fiesta Drive
Memphis, Tennessee 38117

Dear Dr. Sternberg:

Thank you for your recent letter concerning the Council and our report on Memphis. I trust the material that has been sent to you separately provides you with some information. In addition, enclosed is a copy of a list of the Council's members.

If we can be of further assistance to you, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

May 7, 1968

Mr. Thomas Wahman
The New York Foundation
4 West 58th Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Tom:

Thanks for the copies of the letters relating to the $25,000.

Enclosed are two letters requesting the support of the Foundation for general operations and for our Voter Education Project, which we discussed.

It was a pleasure visiting with you and John last week.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 2.

May 7, 1968

Mrs. Betty Ann Shusterman
Executive Secretary
Gate City Lodge No. 144, B'nai B'rith
2976 Sequoyah Drive, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30327

Dear Mrs. Shusterman:

Because of a long-standing commitment to be in California on May 28th, I deeply regret I will be unable to attend your 99th Annual Meeting.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 7, 1968

Dr. Gordon Purrington
Assistant Professor
Department of Educational Administration
College of Education
The Florida State University
Tallahassee, Florida 32306

Dear Dr. Purrington:

Enclosed is the requested statement of my expenses for your meeting yesterday.

It was a pleasure getting to know you, and I do hope you will have an early opportunity to visit us here during one of your trips through Atlanta.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Expense Form)

May 7, 1968

Mrs. Wilma Paynter
1119½ Vermont
Quincy, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Paynter:

Through error you placed an order with us for the book "DEATH AT AN EARLY AGE." We are returning your check for $1.00.

Yours truly,

(Mrs.) Katharine Martin
Secretary

KM

Enclosure

May 7, 1968

Mrs. Adele S. Trobe
Assistant Field Director
Planned Parenthood World Population
515 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mrs. Trobe:

Thank you for the further information about the meeting.

Enclosed is the requested biographical information.

Again, I look forward to being with you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Biog.)

May 7, 1968

Mr. Robert D. Foothorap
Associate Treasurer
Board of National Missions of
the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027

Dear Mr. Foothorap:

This will acknowledge with sincere appreciation the contribution of $250 from the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

We are most grateful for your continued interest and support.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

May 7, 1968

Professor Joseph P. Witherspoon
School of Law
University of Texas
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Joe:

Enclosed is a draft of a suggested letter of invitation, as promised, along with a list of the names we agree upon, the addresses, and as many telephone numbers as I could get readily.

Let me call your attention to a few additions and variations on the list of names:

(1) I have substituted Attorney James E. Youngdahl of Little Rock for Father Walter Clancy, whom I mentioned. Either would be good, but I believe we have a better chance of getting Mr. Youngdahl to attend. He is on the SRC Board and is very knowledgeable.

(2) I have added the names of Mr. Sidney Stahl of Dallas. This is only a suggestion, but I believe he would make a valuable contribution. Would he know Stanley Marcus, and possibly help to get Mr. Marcus to come?

(3) I have also added the name of Dr. Jorge Lara-Braud of Austin. He spoke at the LULAC convention and I had an opportunity to talk to him afterward. He said that he had worked with you on the Austin police shooting, and I told him about our meeting. I hope you will not think it ill-advised, but I invited him to attend, if he could -- and he said he would.

(4) As I did not have their addresses, I did not list Jack Rusing and Ted Mitchell. Please send their addresses at your convenience. We need other American Indian participants. You indicated that Mr. Rushing could make some good suggestions, and I believe I can come up with two or three from another source.

I shall get the revised draft of our working paper to you tomorrow or the day after. I think the best procedure would be for you to edit it and suggest changes, then return it and let me send it out from here, along with a brief letter of my own to the same people, urging them to attend the meeting. (Your letters should go out as soon as possible, and if you will call me when they have been posted, I can refer to them when I send the paper.) I also plan to send two or three typical publications of ours, by way of introduction.

About one week before the meeting, let us confer by telephone and determine what response we have. We can then divide the list for follow-up calls.

Please don't hesitate to call me collect anytime you feel the urge.

Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl
Enclosures

May 7, 1968

Miss Day Piercy
Box 7274
College Station
Durham, North Carolina 27708

Dear Miss Piercy:

Under separate cover we are sending you the material you requested. We do not have any copies of the news release about the formation of the North Carolina Voter Education Project here, but you can get one from John Edwards at the North Carolina VEP in Durham.

If we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 7, 1968

Mrs. J. H. Hall
Secretary
Bedford County Voter Education Council
113 Bethany Lane
Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160

Dear Mrs. Hall:

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Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 7, 1968

Mrs. Virginia Carrington
President
Charlottesville Branch, NAACP
213 Ninth Street, N.W.
Charlottesville, Virginia 22901

Dear Mrs. Carrington:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

I am looking forward to meeting you and all concerned.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 7, 1968

Mr. Willie Hazelwood
President
NAACP Branch
Humphrey County Voter Education Project
283 Central Street
Belzoni, Mississippi 39038

Dear Mr. Hazelwood:

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Field Director
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May 7, 1968

Mr. August Scott
President
Bolivar County Branch, NAACP
Route 1, Box 272
Shelby, Mississippi 38774

Dear Mr. Scott:

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May 7, 1968

Mr. Nathaniel Lee Hawthorne
President
Lunenburg County Branch, NAACP
Voter Registration Committee
Post Office Box 79
Kenbridge, Virginia 23944

Dear Mr. Hawthorne:

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May 7, 1968

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Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 7, 1968

Mr. James Brown
Chairman
Giles and Lawrence County Voter
Education and Registration Project
410 North First Street
Pulaski, Tennessee 38478

Dear Mr. Brown:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 7, 1968

Mr. Archie G. Ross
President
Rising Star Voters League
RFD 1, Box 22
Flovilla, Georgia 30216

Dear Mr. Ross:

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Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 7, 1968

The Reverend H. I. Ewing
President
The Lincoln County Voter
Registration Project
326 West College Street
Fayetteville, Tennessee 37334

Dear Mr. Ewing:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 7, 1968

Mrs. B. H. Netherland
President
Knoxville Branch, NAACP
1856 Prospect Place
Knoxville, Tennessee 37915

Dear Mrs. Netherland:

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Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 7, 1968

Mrs. Mamie Kendrick
Clay County Voter Education Project
Route 2, Box 114
Fort Gaines, Georgia 31751

Dear Mrs. Kendrick:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 7, 1968

Miss Dicy Chester
Calhoun County Voter Education Project
Post Office Box 211
Leary, Georgia 31762

Dear Miss Chester:

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 7, 1968

Mr. Silas Smith
Director
Houston County Voters Committee
1018 South Davis Drive
Warner Robins, Georgia 31093

Dear Mr. Smith:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 7, 1968

Mr. Robert Howard
Community Organization for
Progress and Education
391 Oak Street
Social Circle, Georgia 30279

Dear Mr. Howard:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

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May 7, 1968

Mr. E. H. Gadsden
Savannah Branch, NAACP
458½ West Broad Street
Savannah, Georgia 31401

Dear Mr. Gadsden:

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Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 7, 1968

Mr. John L. Buskey
Chairman
Voter Education Project
Montgomery County Branches, NAACP
Room 203
352 Dexter Avenue
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

Dear Mr. Buskey:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

I am looking forward to meeting you and all concerned.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 7, 1968

Mr. Robert Ingram
President
Hancock County Democratic Club
718 New Street
Sparta, Georgia 31087

Dear Mr. Ingram:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

I am looking forward to meeting you and all concerned.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 7, 1968

Mr. Jake Ayers, Sr.
Glen Allan Improvement Association
Post Office Box 447
Glen Allan, Mississippi 38744

Dear Mr. Ayers:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 7, 1968

The Reverend Charles Johnson
Meridian Branch, NAACP
610 - 38th Avenue
Meridian, Mississippi 39301

Dear Mr. Johnson:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 7, 1968

Mr. E. W. Steptoe
Amite County Voter Education Project
Route 2, Box 119
Liberty, Mississippi 39645

Dear Mr. Steptoe:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

I am looking forward to meeting you and all concerned.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 7, 1968

Mr. George Daniel Lewis
Mansfield Branch, NAACP
Route 2, Box 46
Mansfield, Louisiana 71052

Dear Mr. Lewis:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 7, 1968

The Reverend E. D. Hooks
Bossier Parish Voter Education Project
415 North Circle Drive
Bossier City, Louisiana 71010

Dear Mr. Hooks:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

I am looking forward to meeting you and all concerned.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

cc: William H. Samuel

May 7, 1968

Mr. M. W. Thornhill, Jr.
President
Lynchburg Voters League
525 Smyth Street
Lynchburg, Virginia

Dear Mr. Thornhill:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 7, 1968

Mr. Edwin Beavers
Danville Voters League
424 Camp Street
Davnilld, Virginia 24541

Dear Mr. Beavers:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 7, 1968

Mrs. Virginia Johnson
Chairman
The Pittsylvania County Voters League
Post Office Box 97
Chatham, Virginia 24531

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 7, 1968

Mr. Banister Carden
President
Halifax County Independent Voters League
Route 2, Box 179
Scottsburg, Virginia 24589

Dear Mr. Carden:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 7, 1968

Mr. Joseph Pritchett
Chairman
Martinsville-Henry-Patrick County
Voter's Registration Committee
1203 Maxine Road
Martinsville, Virginia 24112

Dear Mr. Pritchett:

This is to infofm you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

I am looking forward to meeting you and all concerned.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 7, 1968

Mr. Garlend Davis
President
Mecklenburg County Voter's Leageu
1080 Boyd Street
Chase City, Virginia 23924

Dear Mr. Davis:

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 7, 1968

Mrs. Mary J. Williams
Secretary
Galax Branch, NAACP
Route 5, Box 297-A
Galax, Virginia 24333

Dear Mrs. Williams:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 7, 1968

Mr. E. L. Slade, Jr.
President
Richmond Branch, NAACP
420 North First Street
Room # 2
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Mr. Slade:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

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Sincerely,

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Field Director
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WJR:mlj

May 8, 1968

Mr. Denis G. Sullivan
1812 Thornbury Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21209

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Arkansas ceased keeping registration records by race in 1963. Yourcan obtain registration both before and after this date by writing the state auditor Jimmie "Red" Jones in Little Rock, Arkansas. We have these figures in our files but it would necessitate making copies and sending them to you. So the most direct method would be to write to Mr. Jones.

I am enclosing a registration table giving the latest estimate on registration in Arkansas. I am also enclosing studies of the 1964 and 1966 elections.

If you encounter any difficulty in getting the figures from Mr. Jones, let me know and I will make copies of what I have.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 8, 1968

Mr. W. C. Patton
NAACP & Voter Registration Office
1630 North 4th Avenue
Room 407
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Patton:

This comes in response to your proposal for Alabama voter registration drives for the first week in July when the books are open for a full week in several counties. You requested a lump sum of money to be distributed by your office to the various counties for voter registration, on a per person basis, meaning that the driver will be paid from 75¢ to $1.50 for each person that he registers. We have given careful consideration to this proposal, and have decided that it would be in the best interest of the communities involved if VEP received separate and individual proposals from each of the counties involved to be funded directly by VEP for the July period and then a subsequent for registration days.

Please then, may we have from the several counties mentioned in your proposal, separate proposals that we might fund directly, but with only your approval as is the case with all NAACP Branches.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 8, 1968

Mrs. Kathleen Bynum
Houston County Development Committee
102 Washington Avenue
Warner Robins, Georgia 31093

Dear Mrs. Bynum:

This is to inform you that I will soon be in your community to thoroughly examine and evaluate your recently funded program. I hope we can, at that time, have a very frank discussion about all aspects of your project.

I am looking forward to meeting you and all concerned.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:sas

May 8, 1968

Mr. Wally Oliver
P. O. Box 183
Maringouin, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Oliver:

Thank you for responding to my letter. I realize that you are a busy man, and I appreciate your taking the time to participate in this study.

I wonder, however, if we can set another time for the interview than the time you indicated.

You suggested that I call you on May 16th at 5:00 your time, which would be 4:00 my time.

I wonder if I could change that to late afternoon on the 17th? Would 3:00 suit you?

I will try to call you on Monday, the 13th, to see if this change is agreeable to you.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

May 8, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: VEJ

FROM: TO

IN RE: Status of the Arkansas Voter Education Project

Total amount granted for the year 1968:	$ 13,000.00
DISBURSEMENTS	
January, 1968	971.34
February, 1968	1,530.94
March, 1968	1,119.90
April, 1968	1,097.59
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	4,719.77
Balance, 1968	8,280.23

The average monthly expenditure for the Arkansas Voter Education Project is $1,179.94. Given this monthly average this Project will spend for 1968, $14,159.28. This will be $1,159.28 above the amount granted. This is important because the Arkansas Voter Education Project has not and is not making any contribution toward its budget.

May 8, 1968

Dear Hans:

It was certainly a pleasure meeting you the other day at Paschals. I regret that we did not have more of an opportunity to talk. If you are ever in this area again, I do hope you will pay us a visit here at VEP.

Per your request, I am enclosing a copy of my talk made in New York in February.

All good wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 8, 1968

Mr. Curtis Thomas
630½ Fletcher Street
Thomasville, Georgia 31719

Dear Curtis:

As of August 31, 1967 the registration figures you requested are as follows.

County	White	Negro	Unknown
Grady	5,411	1,326	47
Mitchell	5,761	1,474	
Thomas	8,707	1,681	1,948

Give me a call the next time you are in Atlanta.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 8, 1968

The Reverend Charles B. Tachau
Executive Director
West End Community Council, Inc.
3723 West Broadway,
Louisville, Kentucky 40211

Dear Mr. Tachau:

Many thanks for your recent letter indicating address changes. We will be happy to make these changes and also keep Mr. James on our mailing list.

As for Mr. Bond's study, I would suggest that you write us sometime late in the summer just to make certain that we don't lose track of your request.

Many thanks for writing.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 8, 1968

Mr. Timothy Dooley
300 Maple Lane
Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061

Dear Mr. Dooley:

I am sending you the latest and only registration report by race that we have for Tennessee. I am also enclosing a table which gives our latest estimate of registration in Tennessee. Two election studies which might be helpful to you also are enclosed.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 8, 1968

Mr. Robert H. Roberts
Administrative Assistant
Department of State
State of Tennessee
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Roberts:

I would be most grateful if you could send me the latest registration statistics for Tennessee, by county if possible. If figures are available by race I would be especially interested in obtaining these.

Thank you for your cooperation in the past.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 8, 1968

Mr. P. Edward Kenny, Jr.
1721 Glen Keith Boulevard
Baltimore, Maryland 21234

Dear Mr. Kenny:

You have chosen an interesting state to study. I am enclosing three recent issues of our newsletter describing Louisiana elections. Also enclosed are copies of "What Happened in the South, 1966" and "What Happened in the South" (1964). Rather complete and detailed registration figures are available in Louisiana.. You may obtain these figures, both current and past, by writing Board of Registration, State Capitol, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. It should be noted that the state board does not include federal registration under the Voting Rights Act in registration figures. Federal examiners have registered about 26,000 persons in nine parishes since the Voting Rights Act went into effect in August, 1965. These figures may be obtained by parish by writing the Civil Rights Commission in Washington, D. C.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 8, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan

FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau

SUBJECT: Field Trip to North Carolina

The following is a report of my field activities in the state of North Carolina from April 10-13, 1968, inclusive. The purpose of this trip was to evaluate the work of those organizations we funded for voter registration projects. These were in the counties of: 1) Alamance, 2) Rockingham, 3) Person, 4) Durham, 5) Vance, 6) Warren, 7) Halifax, 8) Northampton, 9) Bertie, 10) Hertford, 11) Edgecombe, 12) Nash, 13) Wake, 14) Greensboro, and 15) Hoke. Unfortunately, I was unable to visit seven other projects in the state because of limitations I imposed on the time I would spend in North Carolina. Nevertheless, the trip was a good one. John Edwards accompanied me to several places in the Second Congressional District and introduced me to a number of our grantees.

FIELD REPORT #16

Alamance County

My sojourn through North Carolina began in disappointment. When I went to Burlington and talked with a Dr. S. B. Thomas of the Burlington NAACP, I learned that they had done absolutely nothing to organize a voters registration project in Alamance County. As a matter of fact, the situation was so bad, Dr. Thomas had forgotten that the Branch had received a grant letter from us.(when I mentioned this to John Edwards, he told me that this is a common occurrence when we fund some group Patton recommends to us.) After spending about five minutes looking for the letter, he admitted that they were in need of someone to help them organize for voter registration because it was "something new" to them. I told Dr. Thomas to get in touch with John Edwards and perhaps there would be a possibility of doing something in Alamance County at some other time. I also mentioned this to John and he indicated he would go there as soon as possible. But, I am very dubious about the ability of Dr. Thomas and others to really do anything in their community. I hope we can be guided by John's recommendation on funding them.

Rockingham County

In Reidsville, I talked with Mr. Samuel Dalton, the project director for the Rockingham Branch of the NAACP. He told me of working in three towns in the county - Madison, Eden, and Reidsville. Over 2,000 persons had been registered as a result of their project.

Some Problems with Registrars

Mr. Dalton explained that while their work has been progressing well, there have been some problems with two of the white precinct registrars. In Precinct #1, the registrar refused to cooperate with the project's efforts to register as many people as possible. In other words, the registrar was very cold to their registration drive. In Precinct #2, the registrar complained of not being able to register persons because of lack of forms for doing so. As a result of these tactics, the project's successes are not as great as they should be.

The "Madison Stew" & Registration

A very unique and unquestionably interesting technique being used to register more blacks in Rockingham County is the "Madison Stew" technique. On a given Saturday ladies working with the project make large batches of Madison Stew and people are urged to register to vote. If they do, they are allowed to "eat all the stew their stomachs can hold." What an incentive for a hungry unregistered person!

Disturbance Following King's Assassination

When the news of Martin's assassination hit Reidsville, I was told, cars were overturned, windows were broken, and the recognition of past injustices unresolved resurfaced among members of the black community. A curfew was clamped on the small town and the Mayor called a meeting of blacks.

It is reported that the Mayor wondered why the violence and said he did not know what Negroes wanted in Reidsville. Of course they told him about the usual things "Freedom" encompasses. He said he would like to do something about those problems but was only one man among many. The meeting ended with a promise by the Mayor to endorse a Negro for City

Council. Nothing else. And he wondered why the violence.

Person County

I was told that the only problem in registering blacks in the Person County area is indifference. Mr. & Mrs. Wallace Blackwell, of Roxboro, talked with me about what they had been doing. Each felt that even with the short time (3 Saturdays), allotted for registration, they would be able to do well if they could overcome the indifference prevalent there. Some attempts were being made to persuade registrars to working during the week, but without success.

104 Persons Registered on First Saturday

On the first Saturday of registration, the Person County Voters League registered 104 persons. Though this figure had not reached Mr. Blackwell's expectations, he was very optimistic about the remaining Saturdays. He blamed the assassination of King for putting a damper on the enthusiasm of a number of people--a very interesting point.

Reaction to the Assassination

One would ordinarily think that people would, as a result of Martin's assassination, rally around programs such as voter registration, but that was not the case in Person County(or any of the other places I went to in North Carolina). Instead there was this feeling of complete defeat - a pervasive fatalism about life period. I think Mrs. Blackwell stated in very cogent terms what many people like her felt at this time:

> This thing(Martin's slaying) has just made me take another look at this thing called "racism" in this country. Sometimes I wish I were Stokeley. My white co-workers(Mrs. Blackwell is a teacher in a predominantly white public school) have not been able to even look at me since this has happened.

and then, very large tears started rolling from her eyes; eyes that told a story of gentleness, very deep hurt, and a staggering realization that the times were indeed hard. There was nothing I could say.

Durham County

At the time I was in Durham, Rev. P. R. Cousins, of the Durham Committee on Negro Affairs, told me that over 4,500 persons had been registered since we funded the organization. John Edwards confirmed this and indicated that he felt everything was going well with the registration process. No registration work was being done while I was there due to the disturbances that occurred in the aftermath of the King assassination.

Durham was hard hit. Several buildings were set on fire, windows broken, and a very tight curfew was imposed on the city to prevent any recurrences. Tempers flared and the city fathers were still asking the same question: "What do you all want?"

On the day I arrived in Durham, leaders of the black community were meeting at a local restaurant to plan their strategy for a meeting with the Mayor. They planned a walkout of the meeting if the Mayor refused to talk about specific demands they were making for a specific number of jobs among other things.

As it turned out, they walked out of the meeting because the Mayor told them an agenda had been prepared and he would conduct the meeting according to it. Almost instantaneously, John Wheeler, Howard Fuller, and everyone else walked out. Then the Mayor started pleading, "Wait. Wait. We can work it out. Don't leave." But it was too late and as John Edwards put it, "Everybody decided to go fishing."

Six Negroes Running for Office

There are six Negroes seeking elective office in Durham. These are:

(1) Alexander Bonds--County Commission
(2) J. C. Scarborough--County Commission
(3) Asa T. Spalding--County Commission
(4) Fred McNeil--School Board
(5) H. M. Michaux, Jr.--State House of Representatives
(6) Davis Stith--Congress(4th District)

Vance County

John Edwards and I visited with a Dr. Thomas and a Mr. Terry of the Vance County Voters League. Mr. Terry is director of the project we are funding there and appears to be a very diligent worker. He indicated that the program there was going well.

From all indications, the persons responsible for the drive are good people capable of doing the work that needs to be done. On the first Saturday of operation, they were responsible for registering 858 of the 1,016 persons who were registered. This number of persons, I think, represents a fairly significant number of people registered by almost any project.

Only Problem-Transportation

Mr. Terry told me that the only real problem he had was in enlisting and coordinating the transportation for Saturday registrations. The number of people involved in transporting workers and registrants had been, he said, below his earlier expectations but he felt certain subsequent Saturdays would show an improvement over the past Saturday.

To me, it appears that this project is going well. The persons involved are doing the work and appear to know what they are doing. Nothing else, I think need be said.

Warren County

When I visited the Warren County project, I was bothered by the lack of productivity showed in the project's first report. Only 84 persons were registered on the first Saturday of registration in Warren County. This discouraged me because Eva Clayton, candidate for Congress, lives in Warrenton, the county seat. I felt that the total number of people registered should have been much greater. This number represents only 8.4 persons per Task Force Worker and I think that's pretty lousy.

I conveyed my disappointments to Mrs. Edna Wright, the project director, and she agreed they should have registered more people(what in the hell could she do but agree with me). She explained that "things just did not go well Saturday."

Major Problem-Indifference

The Warren County project is concentrating on 5 precincts with the lowest registration in Warren County. There are altogether 20 perosns working with Mrs. Wright and it is felt that indifference is the major problem.(of course I told Mrs. Wright "indifference" is not a new problem; it can be overcome only by a working effort commensurate with the intensity of indifference.)

No Community Cooperation

Aside from indifference there has been virtually no community cooperation. Only one teacher in the entire county is involved. Workers have been unable to speak at Warrenton Negro schools and only a handful of students have offered to work with the project. The churches have, on the other hand, made some monetary contributions and allowed project workers to have meetings in church halls, ets. But aside from this, there has been little or no other support coming from the community. And to my mind this raises a number of questions about Eva Clayton's chances for winning in the Second Congressional District on May 4.

Complaints of Discrimination

I suppose that a great deal of the problems Mrs. Wright and others in the Warren County project are encountering in getting persons registered can be traced to alleged discrimination by registrars in the county. As a result of this many people are frustrated in the registration process and begin feeling "indifferent" about registering.

Some registrars are requiring persons to read and write to prove their literacy. This requirement is in violation of the 1964 Civil Rights Act(Warren County is exempt from the provisions of the 1965 Act), which requires only a sixth grade education as proof of literacy. One lady with a Masters degree from Columbia University was asked to write and she flatly refused. This is, of course, an insult to an educated person. Another requirement of some of the registrars concerns using an ink pen to fill out the registration forms. But the registrar provides only pencils for this purpose. So, if a person doesn't have a pen, he can't register.

Harrassments of this type are being protested to no avail. Attempts to resolve this matter through the Registration Board have failed. When I was in Warrenton, several persons who had encountered hostility from the registrars had sought legal aid from Julius Chambers of Charlotte. Perhaps legal action against Warren County will put an end to these discriminatory practices.

Northampton County

In Northampton County, I spoke with Mrs. Georgia Pierce and Mrs. Selma V. Majette. Both told me that they had a total of about 25 - 30 persons working in their registration drive. The previous Saturday they had registered 507 persons and were looking forward to a successful termination of their project.

In terms of community cooperation, they were receiving no help from the ministers of the community. Most of their help was coming from the "regular common folks" in the area. But despite the refusals of the ministers, their drive was not suffering appreciably, although they were anxious for some help from groups of Northern students who had come to North Carolina to help boost registration for the Hawkins campaign.

Seven Blacks Running for Office

Northampton County Negroes would, on the day of election, be able to vote for seven black candidates in the county. These were:

(1) Melvin Creecy--House of Representatives
(2) Jack Faison--County Commission
(3) James Jones--Board of Education

(4) Robert E. Sexton--County Commission
(5) Charles Drew--Board of Education
(6) Frank Ballance--District Judge
(7) Eva Clayton--Congress

Messrs Faison, Jones, and Ballance were seen as having very good chances of winning. Most of the other candidates were very serious question marks.

High School Students React to King's Death

Mrs. Majette told me of another "incident" after work of King's assassination which involved several high school students attending the desegregated Northampton High School. It seems that several black students went to the principal and asked him to lower the flag in honor of Martin. The principal refused and the students walked out of school. They were then expelled but "one Tom went to the board of Education and begged for their reinstatement" without ever resolving the issue of the flag. Apparently, most of the black community was angered by this "Tomming" but could do nothing about it.

Bertie County

Mrs. Alice Ballance, whose son Frank is running for district judge, talked with me at length about registration in Bertie County. She told me that they had registered only 200 persons the first Saturday, due to a shortage in manpower. Many of the persons who had volunteered for work on that Saturday did not show. Consequently, their efforts were not as productive as they should have been.

Four black candidates are running for office including two involved in district races(Mr. Melvin Creecy and Mr. Frank Ballance). These are the Reverends W. Steele and Johnny Baxemore who are running for the Board of Education. Their chances of being elected were not considered very good.

This project, like most of the others, did not appear to be lax in any regard, so I had no quarrels with Mrs. Ballance. They were doing their best under the circumstances.

Hertford County

In Ahoskie, I talked with Mr. Leon Vaughan, the director of the project for Hertford County. Everything was going well. Over 20 persons were involved in the drive and 217 persons were registered on the first day of registration. One Negro(Charles Reynolds) was running for political office(County Commission) and his chances of winning were considered very good. No problems; no monkey shine.

Edgecombe County

Over 1,200 had registered to vote in Edgecombe County when I was there. Approximately 50 pwesons were actively involved in the drive which was concentrating in 10 precincts: Tarboro, Whitakers, Conatoe, Speed, Lawrence, Leggett, Battleboro, Old Sparta, Macclesfield, and Pinetops. The director of the drive told me that he was very well pleased with the progress made in the county registration project and he foresaw no difficulties in doing wery well by the project's termination date.

Nash County

In Nash County, Mr. Frank Wright of the project staff told me that registration had exceeded 2,200 since their drive began. Working in 16 precincts, they were getting a "terrific response" from the people. They were all very interested and he explained to me and John Edwards that " in 17 years, there's been nothing like it(the registration)."

Over 200 people are actively involved in the registration drive.

The only element of discouragement among the workers, according to Mr. Wright, arose from the Chief Registrar's slow-down tactics in registering Negroes in the county. According to the information Mr. Wright gave me and John, a white married woman with several children was appointed as a registrar in one of the heavily populated precincts. Because of her children, it was impossible for her to register anyone after 5:00 p.m., thereby resulting in no registration of people in that precinct. This is seen as a "slowdown tactic" by the registration board because "too many Negroes are registering to vote in Nash County."

Several complaints have been made but no positive changes have resulted. It is very difficult to get around this very subtle form of discrimination, although I think a registrar is required by North Carolina law in some counties to register in the precinct after hours. At any rate, nothing had been done by the time I left the state.

Wake County

I was not overly impressed with the overall organization of the project in Raleigh. Although several scores of people were being registered on the day I was there(the final day of registration), everything did not seem to really hang in place as it should for a community having neighborhood registration centers. Reverend Charles Ward, who thinks he's slick, was ebullient as ever. He told me of the problems they were having with the registrar, Mrs. Martha McLaughlin and the telegram he had sent to the Justice Department protesting discrimination in the assignment of Negro deputies to certain areas of the black community.

But Reverend Ward and the Raleigh Citizen's Association had not done their work as they should have. I found their efforts lacking in coordination, and as a matter of fact, I did not see the director of the project, Mr. Shepard at any time while I was in Raleigh. And apparently he was not on the job.

This led me to think that Rev. Ward and Mr. Shepard were not completely honest with us about the job they could do in Raleigh. Perhaps we can remember this when next we are approached about more monetary support for Wake County.

There are two black candidates running for political office in the county, attorneys George Greene and Sam Mitchell, for district judge. Their chances of winning are considered very slim.

Hoke County

Hoke County's black registration was 72 persons over the previous registration at the time I was there and it was expected to be higher by the termination of the drive. As of then, 1,442 blacks had registered compared to 1,414 whites.

The method being used in the county is to canvass in each precinct during the week and use two cars on Saturday to transport persons desirous of registering in their respective precinct. Black registration exceeded white registration in 6 of 11 precincts at that time.

But there are some problems. In one instance, the registrar refuses to appoint any black registration officials and in another, there are unsubstantiated reports that some people have been required to read before registering. More-over, the registrar refuses to give blacks copies of the new North Carolina election law. While these thing are frustrating to an extent, they are not significantly hindering the efforts of the Hoke County project.

I suggested to Reverend Thomas Walker that he get in touch with John about these problems since other counties were encountering similar harassments.

There are several hundred Indians living in Hoke County and I asked Rev. Walker what the chances were for a Negro - Indian coalition. He replied, "not good at all. We have tried to together several times in the past but if we support an Indian candidate, they don't do the same for a Negro candidate. So we've sort of given up on coalescing with them." This, I thought, was very interesting since I expected to find some measure of cooperation between Indians and blacks. But apparently, the power structure has found it to its advantage to split both groups and I suppose that's wise when you're in the driver's seat. Hopefully, things will change(at least) with an increase in black political strength in the county.

There is only one black man running for political office in Hoke County. Mr. Ivery McNair is running for the Board of Education. He ran in

1966 and lost. His chances are not considered very good because he is not too well liked in the Negro community.

And so ends another trek through the Tar Heel state.

That Justice is a blind goddess
Is a thing to which we black are wise:
Her bandage hides two festering sores
That once perhaps were eyes.

Langston Hughes

May 8, 1968

The Rev. Francis X. Walter
Selma Interreligious Project
810 - 39th Street
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401

Dear Francis:

I, too, am pleased that the New York Foundation made the grant of $5,000. When and how do you want it?

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 8, 1968

Mrs. Sidney O. Janus
Chairman
Development of Human Resources
Committee
League of Women Voters of Georgia
3121 Maple Drive, N. E., Suite 2
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Mrs. Janus:

Thank you for sharing the publications. They are very impressive and we shall undoubtedly be ordering additional copies.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 8, 1968

Mrs. Virginia Frank
Southern Education Foundation
1501 - 18th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Gina:

Thanks for the copy of John Edgerton's report. I shall read it. Thanks, also, for sharing it with the state Councils. If you think it worthwhile we will be happy to mail out about 20 copies to the major interagency people throughout the South.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 8, 1968

Mr. John M. Gessell
Assistant to the Dean
The School of Theology
University of the South
Sewanee, Tennessee 37375

Dear Mr. Gessell:

I well understand that things don't get dealt with. I, too, hope that on some future occasion we will have an opportunity to get together.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 8, 1968

Mrs. Richard B. Cattell
Mt. Vernon Club
Route 3, Box 548
Golden, Colorado 80401

Dear Mrs. Cattell:

Thank you so much for your generous contribution and your comments about New South. We are particularly encouraged when we receive such unsolicited votes of confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

May 8, 1968

Mr. George A. Lloyd
Department of Public Relations
Humble Oil & Refining Company
Houston, Texas 77001

Dear George:

Thanks for sharing the copies of the publications. Quite frankly, I don't think it would be worth the expense to share them with our several lists as we have some other things. However, we could make very good use of about 200 copies if you could spare that many.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 8, 1968

Mr. Davis Bragg
Curtis, Duncan & Bragg Law Offices
216 East Avenue, B
Killeen, Texas 76541

Dear Mr. Bragg:

In response to your letter of April 29th, I am enclosing several documents which I believe will answer your questions. Among the items enclosed is a list of the members of the Council, and you will note those who are businessmen.

Actually, the Council was formed in 1944, and one of its founders, Dr. Howard Odum, of the University of North Carolina, was particularly anxious that it be a private agency for regional development.

The historical pamphlet will indicate to you those people who signed the first statements that were the forerunners to the formation of the Council.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

May 8, 1968

Miss Clare Miller
The Putney School
Elm Lea Farm
Putney,=Vermont 05346

Dear Miss Miller:

Under separate cover we are sending you several documents which will give you further information about the Council.

I sincerely regretthat we do not have any openings for summer employment. Should you arrange something in the South, do come by and visit with us.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 8, 1968

Professor Joseph P. Witherspoon
School of Law
University of Texas
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Joe:

Enclosed is an annotated list of names of American Indians, with addresses. I secured these from Dr. Leslie Dunbar, Executive Director of The Field Foundation, which has an interest in American Indian Affairs. Dr. Dunbar is, as you know, a~~s~~past-executive director of the Southern Regional Council.

I believe these would be likely persons to invite to our May 26-27 meeting, along with some who may be suggested by Mr. Rushing.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl
Enclosure

May 8, 1968

Mr. Baxton Bryant
Executive Director
Tennessee Council on Human Relations
818-B 17th Avenue, South
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Baxton:

I have already sent you a copy of the anonymous note and mimeographed scandal sheet we got from Memphis. Afterward I talked to Paul and he says that our usual policy is to ignore such trash -- on the theory that any attempt to answer it only calls attention to it to no avail.

However, if anyone seems seriously concerned we are, as you know, prepared to document a refutation.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

P. S. We sent copies of the second supplement to the Memphis report toyour Board members.

May 9, 1968

Mr. Edward Howden
Western Regional Director
Community Relations Service
Department of Justice
New Federal Building, Room 16468
450 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, California 94102

Dear Ed:

You may recall at the NAIRO meeting I spoke of the possibility of coming to San Francisco to see about fund-raising efforts. I am speaking at the National Social Welfare Assembly on Tuesday, May 18th at its national convention there.

What of the possibility of my calling your office and arranging an appointment for Monday morning, May 27th? If you have any further suggestions that you might share with me by mail, I would be very grateful.

Whatever, it will be good to see you again.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 9, 1968

The Reverend John W. Aldridge
Idlewild Presbyterian Church
1750 Union Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your letter of May 8, setting the record straight on Memphis Presbytery's action and your resignation. It really is incredible that Mr. DuBois failed to mention, in the contest of such a story, that your resignation was in order to accept a teaching position at Princeton.

Congratulations on the call to teach at Princeton seminary.

Congratulations, too, on your record of leadership in Memphis.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

May 9, 1968

MEMO TO: KMartin

FROM: VEJ

RE: Xerox Copies for Bernice Turner

Attached herewith, for xerox copies, 50, [illegible] cash money in the amount of $5.00.

Thank you.

May 9, 1968

Mr. Nils R. Douglas
Collins, Douglas & Elie
1110 Medallion Tower
344 Camp Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130

Dear Nils:

The enclosed letter is self-explanatory. Perhaps you would like to involve this individual in the Louisiana Project.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

May 9, 1968

Mr. William H. Samuel, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana 70764

Dear Bill:

The Enclosed letter is welf-explanatory. Perhaps you would like to involve this individual in the Louisiana Project.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj
Enclosure

May 9, 1968

MEMO TO: KMartin

FROM: WJRougeau

RE: Travel Reimbursement

Kathy, please find attached a check in the amount of $13.10 -- travel advance refund dated,

Thank you.

May 9, 1968

MEMO TO: KMartin

FROM: TOlive

Re: Travel Reimbursement

Attached hereto is my check in the amount of $194.15, as travel reimbursement for attending conference in New York, A. Philip Randolph Inst.

[redacted] NASHVILLE, TENN.

May 9, 1968

Mr. Dan Nixon
Routell, Box 424
Brownsville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Nixon:

I am returning your picture and want to ask you to have another one taken.

What we would like is one like the picture on page two of the little newsletter I am enclosing.

If you can get a photographer to take the picture, please do so and send the bill to me.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj
Enclosure

May 10, 1968

Mr. John McCown
Executive Director
Georgia Council on Human Relations
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear John:

This is just to thank you, belatedly, for the excellent quarterly reports for the last quarter of 1967 and the first of 1968. They are great in form, and the programs reflected in them are impressive.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

May 10, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Dean
Executive Director
Mississippi Council on Human Relations
306 First Federal Building
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Ken:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $3,625.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid to the Mississippi Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed receipt copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

Enclosures 2

May 10, 1968

Mr. R. Grann Lloyd
Department of Economics and
Business Administration
Tennessee A and I State University
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Mr. Lloyd:

The series of studies that you wrote us about was completed several years ago. Copies of it are still available. Nashville was not included in the series, however; I certainly think we would like to see your report for possible use as a NEW SOUTH article.

Let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

May 10, 1968

Mr. Mitchel Levitas
Sunday Department
The New York Times
Times Square
New York, New York 10036

Dear Mitchel:

This is, I'm afraid, longer than you suggested -- but cutting places are obvious.

I have indicated a place for an insert on final figures from the May 10 cut-off. They should be available next Friday (May 17). I'm enclosing one of the registration applications for possible illustrative purposes.

You may want to note that I am co-author with Reese Cleghorn of Climbing Jacob's Ladder (Harcourt, Brace, and World, Inc., 1967), a study of the voter registration effort and its effect on southern politics.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

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May 10, 1968

Mr. Vic Navasky
Monocle Magazine
80 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10010

Dear Mr. Navasky:

It was good meeting and talking with you on your trip South. As soon as I get the current issue worked out, I'll be sending you the outline we talked about. Everyone here is enthusiastic about the idea and I think it ought to work out to be an exciting and (dare we hope) a profitable venture for all concerned.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

May 10, 1968

Mr. Thomas S. Winter
Post Office Box 191
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Mr. Winter:

Please pardon the unconscionable delay in answering your letter of inquiry.

Unfortunately, we have no openings at the present time.

Let me suggest that you write to the Talent Bank, Berea College, Berea, Kentucky. This is a federally funded agency which helps to find and place talented people interested in anti-poverty or human relations work.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

May 10, 1968

Mr. Daniel A. Powell
5298 Revere Road
Memphis, Tennessee 38117

Dear Dan:

I have returned your Tri-State Defenders under separate cover.

Many thanks for this and all other forms of your assistance.

I trust Memphis is the beloved community by now.

Best wishes,

J. Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

May 10, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send ten (10) copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the State Councils on Human Relations. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

May 10, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please send 100 copies of the new VEP newsletter to each of the four VEP statewide voter education projects. Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

May 10, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO:q Bernice Cook

FROM: Marvin Wall

Please mail the new VEP newsletter to all addresses in the VEP plates.

Also please mailto addresses in the following categories:

1. Board

2. FRC

4. Intergroup

5. Labor

7. Libraries

Many thanks.

May 10, 1968

Mrs. Maxine A. Smith
Executive Secretary
Memphis Branch, NAACP
234 Hernando Street
Memphis, Tennessee 38126

Dear Mrs. Smith:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 10, 1968

Mr. F. Malcolm Cunningham
201 Avenue H
Riviera Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

It is good to hear from you. I thank you for answering my questions and for volunteering to join this project.

The date and time you have selected, however, will cause problems for me. I must be away from Atlanta on the 16th, and could not call you then. I wonder whether another date could be arranged.

The 17th would fit me, and although I know that you are particularly busy at this time, wonder if you could move our scheduled appointment forward for one day.

I will try to call you on Tuesday, May 14th to see if this change will fit into your schedule.

In the meantime, thanks again for helping in this project.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Research Associate
Voter Education Project

JB:mlj

May 10, 1968

Mr. Edgar L. Taplin, Jr.
Yale University
1392 Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Taplin:

The Voter Education Project is interested in having you participate in its summer interhship program. Summer interns will be paid at the rate of $75.00 per week. If you have an interest in our program, please get in touch with me immediately, so that we might arrange a time for you to discuss this further, and what we would like for you to do this summer.

Please fill out and return the enclosed form at your earliest convenience.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

May 10, 1968

Miss Curtina Moreland
P. O. Box 541
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Miss Moreland:

Enclosed is an application blank. Please fill it out and return it to us at your earliest possible convenience.

Thank you kindly.

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

May 10, 1968

Miss Mary Green
Urban League of Greater Dallas
2606 Forest Avenue
Suite 211
Dallas, Texas 75215

Dear Mary:

Just a note to thank you for the many kindnesses that you extended me and my classmates euring our trip to Dallas this week. I regret that we did not get a chance to say goodbye before leaving, but that was unavoidable.

Thanks again for taking care of us.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 10, 1968

Mr. M. T. Edleman
Bank of Shelby
Shelby, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Edleman:

Please be advised that Mr. Augustus Scott, RFD # 1, Box 272, Shelby, Miss., is authorized to sign checks for the Bolivar County Branch, NAACP, Voter Education Project, (VEP).

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm

cc: Mr. Augustus Scott

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May 10, 1968

Mrs. Maxine A. Smith
Executive Secretary
Memphis Branch, NAACP
234 Hernando Street
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Smith:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Memphis Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Shelby County, Tennessee. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $3,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from May 16 to July 11, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $75.00 per week	$ 600.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $65.00 per week	520.00
Eight (8) Task Force Workers		1,280.00
Transportation		750.00
Rent for two months		50.00
Telephone		50.00
Printing and Postage		150.00
Office Supplies		100.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project whould read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

May 10, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Glenda Bartley
Doris Reed
Susan Morgan
Bernice Morrison
Barnetta Jackson
Joyce Meekins

FROM: Marvin Wall

The election season is upon us with all its fury. May I enlist your help? I would be very grateful if you would pass along to me copies of any clippings relating to registration figures, Negro candidates for office, Negroes electedtoo office and related information. This would make it much easier for me to keep abreast of things during this very beasy election season.

Many thanks.

May 10, 1968

Mr. James A. Moore
Chairman
Hampton County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 65
Hampton, South Carolina 29924

Dear Mr. Moore:

Many thanks for the May 2, 1968 issue of the Hampton County Democrat which included several interesting pictures of the Notre Dame students. I believed you mentioned in our telephone conversation that you had some pictures you were going to send me. I would still like very much to have these pictures along with whatever else you could send me about the students.

I gather that you are undergoing some harassment there and I trust that you are keeping Jimmy Felder of the SoutheCarolina Voter Education Project informed. Keep in touch with us too.

Best wishes,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 10, 1968

Mrs. Joy Fleisher
Staff Director
Inner-City Project
League of Women Voters Education Fund
1200 17th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mrs. Fleisher:

Your letter to Mr. Jordan has been passed along to me for reply. Evidently you were referring to the election Lucius D. Amerson in Macon County, Alabama. The candidates in Lowndes County were not successful.

I am enclosing clippings which will provide some background on the election of Mr. Amerson. He is serving a four year term. Registration figures just prior to the 1966 election in Macon County were 4,909 white and 5,126 Negro. However, I recall reports in Alabama just prior to the 1966 election to the effect that our figures on Negro registration in Macon County may have been slightly too small. I believe there were some Negroes in Macon County who felt at that time that their registration was closer to 7,000 than to 5,000. Mr. Amerson himself probably could clarify this point for you.

I am sure Mr. Amerson would be happy to provide you with a picture of himself. He may be reached by writing him at Macon County Sheriff's Department , 109 North Elm Street, Tuskegee, Alabama, 36008.

There are, of course, many other Negro elected officials in the South, many of whom make interesting reading. I am enclosing a list of Negro elected officials in the South. There are now approximately 250 Negro elected officials serving in the eleven southern states. Representative Julian Bond currently is making a study for the Voter Education Project and I am enclosing a copy of our newsletter describing this study.

I hope this information reaches you in time to be helpful. We look forward to seeing your filmstrip. If we can be of further service please let us know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 10, 1968

MEMO TO: RHA

FROM: VEJ

RE: Student Interns

Sandra Allen Stovall, Social Security # 428-78-3454, is now employed by VEP as a student intern, effective Friday May 3, 1968. Miss Stovall is to do secretarial and research work through May 31st, only. She is to be paid at the rate of $75.00 per week. She can be paid at the regular pay period.

Thank you.

May 10, 1968

MEMO TO: RHA

FROM: VEJ

RE: Student Interns

Wayne Allen Nichols, Social Security # 248-76-5638, has been employed as a student intern with the South Carolina VEP since March 18, 1968. We are paying him at the rate of $1.50 per hour for 20 hours per week.

Due to an oversight on my part, we have failed to compensate Mr. Nichols for this time. May we, therefore, pay him retroactively and then put him on the regular student intern payroll.

Thank you!

MEMO TO: RHA

RE: Student Interns

George Butler, Social Security # 469-58-6918, does serve as a student intern to Mrs. Geneva Collins, Chancery Clerk of Clairborne County, Mississippi. Mr. Butler has been working in Port Gibson since March 27th, and is to be paid at the rate of $25.00 per week for a six month period. He is a student at Antioch College.

May we pay him retroactively to the 21st of March, and there after include him on the regular student intern payroll.

Thank you!

May 13, 1968

The Reverend Francis M. Perrin
Lakewood Presbyterian Church
2014 Medaris Road, N. W.
Huntsville, Alabama 35810

Dear Frank:

It was good to hear from you. Joyce and I think about you and Marge once in a while. (Now that the twins are crawling, we can't think at all very often!)

Under separate cover we are sending samples of the following publications:

On the National Crisis, A Statement by the Southern Regional Council, August, 1967

The Present Dilemma of the Negro, by Kenneth B. Clark, Ph.D, November 2, 1967

Events at Orangeburg, by Pat Watters and Weldon Rougeau

In Memphis: More Than A Garbage Strike (with two supplements), by myself with a lot of unsung help.

I trust these may prove useful in your special study. Let us know, if we can help in any other way.

Best regards,

J. Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

May 13, 1968

Miss Margaret Long
978 Juniper Street, Apt. 4
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Maggie:

Enclosed is a letter to you from Mr. W. R. Miller. We have handled the check, which was made to SRC, and have sent him the back issues of NEW SOUTH.

With kindest regards,

Yours truly,

(Mrs.)Katharine Martin

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Enclosure

May 13, 1968

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Dr. John Munroe
Dean of Freshman Studies
Miles College
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear John:

It was good seeing you in Chicago and I look forward to getting an article or paper from you.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

MEMORANDUM May 13, 1968

To: State Council Directors

From: Raymond M. Wheeler, Chairman
SRC Executive Committee

We have given considerable thought to the matter of establishing a committee to determine the status of the state Councils relative to the Council's policy for the future.

We agree with you that it is most desirable that the state Councils be immediately represented on such a committee. Therefore, we make the following suggestions that you might want to consider at your forthcoming meeting in New York.

We suggest that we create a committee of preferably six (6), but no more than ten (10) members; one-half of whom shall be appointed by me as chairman of SRC's Executive Committee, and one-half of whom shall be selected by the state Directors. We further suggest that this committee be composed entirely of policy people from the two groups and that the committee determine what assistance to ask from the SRC and state Council staffs.

We feel this committee should be very small, both because of limited travel funds available, and more importantly, because we feel a smaller committee can function more effectively amd more quickly. We would like to appoint this committee at the earliest possible date and to have a meeting as soon as possible.

Since events are changing rapidly within the state Councils and SRC, we feel the committee's responsibilities should go beyond merely evaluating each state Council, but should also include, to the extent that they wish to accept the responsibility, forming any recommendations on future SRC-State Council relations.

We are confident this committee can make a contribution to all of us, and especially to a sound, healthy, and mutual relationship in the future.

Best wishes for a good meeting and good results in New York.

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May 13, 1968

To: Janet Smith

From: Paul Anthony

Janet,

Please put the following person on our mailing list to receive NEW SOUTH (complimentary)

Dr. John Munroe
Dean of Freshman Studies
Miles College
Birmingham, Alabama 35208

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May 13, 1968

Dr. Harold Friedman
607 Longwood Drive
Glencoe, Illinois

Dear Harold:

It was good seeing you in Chicago, and believe me, I regret that I couldn't take you up on your invitation for Florida.

Under separate cover I am sending you the latest issue of our quarterly magazine, New South, which I thought you might find of interest.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 13, 1968

Mr. John McCown
Executive Director
Georgia Council on Human Relations
52 Fairlie Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Mr. William C. Allred
Executive Director
North Carolina Council on Human Relations
233½ North Greene Street
Greensboro, North Carolina

Dear John and Will:

Enclosed is a memorandum which I have today sent to each state director in response to our conversations and your letter to me. I have sent it to each of the directors since I thought each might want to consider the suggestions prior to your New York meeting.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Raymond M. Wheeler
Chairman
Executive Committee

RM/mmj

MEMORANDUM May 13, 1968

To: Members of the Program Committee

From: Paul Anthony

We have heard from 8 of the 11 members of the Program Committee, and due to the lateness of the time we have decided not to wait for the remainder of the responses. Six members of the Committee, the largest number, have selected the date of May 22nd. Therefore, the meeting will be held on that date here in the SRC offices.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m., and will end no later than 4:00 p.m.

I very much regret that all of the Committee will not be present, but I do hope a second meeting can be scheduled in the not-too-distant future.

If you wish us to make hotel reservations for you or provide you with travel advances, please let us know.

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Reading file

May 13, 1968

Mr. John L. Janeway, Editor
The St. Luke's Journal
The School of Theology
The University of the South
Sewanee, Tennessee 37375

Dear Mr. Janeway:

In response to your request of May 11, you do have my permission to publish "Religion and Human Rights -- A Final Appeal to the Church" in the June issue of The St. Luke's Journal of Theology. Please feel free to omit the first three paragraphs of the address.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh
cc: Professor James D. Glasse

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May 13, 1968

Mr. Will Campbell
Box 12044
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Will:

We would like very much to run excerpts from your excellent speech before the Arkansas Council in the next NEW SOUTH. May we have your permission?

Come to see us.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

VIA AIR MAIL

May 13, 1968

Mr. Michael Curtis
Atlantic Magazine
8 Arlington Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02116

Dear Mike:

Nancy Harding at the New American Library asked that we send you the full set of prints that will be used in the forthcoming book of Al Clayton's photographs of southern poverty, with text by Robert Coles. I am sending them by separate mail. About a dozen of the set are missing, but the 93 we are sending include the best of the photographs.

Since these are the last of some of the prints that we have, I would greatly appreciate your returning those you do not need whenever you can.

Hope things are going well with you.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

May 13, 1968

Mr. Ernest N. Morial
Attorney at Law
103 Claver Building
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Dear Dutch:

We are pleased to inform you that we have selected Mrs. Etta Kay Hearn Haynes to be a student intern with the VEP. Her internship is to be spent as a legislative intern to you from May 13 through July 11, 1968. We will pay her at the rate of $75.00 per week.

In addition to assisting you in your legislative and research responsibilities, Mrs. Haynes will be required to submit to us at the end of her internship, a narrative report relating her internship experiences. This report is mandatory.

Please convey to Mrs. Haynes our delight in having her join the many students across the South in the VEP program.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

cc: Mrs. E. K. H. Haynes

May 13, 1968

MEMO TO: RHA

FROM: VEJ, Director, VEP

Effective May 13, 1968 - - - - -
Mrs. Etta Kay He[illegible]n Haynes will be employed as a student intern through July 11, 1968. Mrs. Hearn will serve as a Legislative intern with Ernest Morial, who has been recently elected to the Louisiana Legislature.

We will pay Mrs. Hearn at the rate of $75.00 per week. Her Social Security No. is: 435-84-5263. She will not need to receive her first check until June 1st.

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May 13, 1968

Mr. Calvin Turner
Taliaferro County Voters League
Route 2, Box 63
Crawfordville, Georgia 30631

Dear Mr. Turner:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Taliaferro County Voters League for a grant to conduct voter registration and citizenship education campaigns in Taliaferro County. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,200.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 1 to July 27, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
(3) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	360.00
Transportation		225.00
Citizenship Education		200.00
Supplies and Printing		95.00
		$ 1,200.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further special reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

May 14, 1968

Father W. J. Morrisey
16 Orange Street
Natchez, Mississippi

Dear Father Morrisey:

I regret very much that I was unable to see you and those in your party when you were in Atlanta last week. It was just impossible for me to get back down town that evening. I had hoped that you would be able to stop by the office but I am sure you had more important responsibilities.

I certainly do appreciate your calling and hope that the next time our paths cross we can spend more time together.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 14, 1968

Mrs. Kathryn Lacey
Secretary
Community Service Association
320 North West Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Mrs. Lacey:

Please forgive the delay in complying with your request but we encountered a small problem of reproduction in the supplement so, I decided to wait and mail all of the material together.

I trust I didn't inconvenience you inany way.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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May 14, 1968

MEMO TO: BCC

FROM: NM

Please forward to Mrs. Lacey 40 copies of the Memphis Supplement, 20 copies of the Memphis Report, 36 copies of Hungry Children.

Thanx, label attached.

May 14, 1968

The Sir Francis Drake Hotel
Powell and Sutter Street
San Francisco, California

Gentlemen:

Please reserve a single for the undersigned for the nights of Saturday, May 25 through Friday, May 31. I would appreciate a confirmation at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 14, 1968

Professor David H. Battenfeld
Professor of English
Keene State College
Keene, New Hampshire

Dear Professor Battenfeld:

I am pleased to hear of the work of your group in the formation of a Cheshire County Human Relations Council. There is certainly no reason why your group cannot formally adopt that name.

While there are no provisions for formal affiliation with the Southern Regional Council in a situation such as this one, we will be most happy to cooperate in any way possible.

Enclosed is a list of our current publications which we will be happy to share with you if you wish any of them.

Every good wish for your project.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

May 14, 1968

Mr. William A. Rutherford
Executive Director
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
334 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Rutherford:

We are pleased that William Farmar and Warren Pritchard are working with you, and we would like to be of any further assistance to you in your important program.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

Separate mailing: Hungry Children, Welfare Report,
New South

May 14, 1968

Mr. Tom Ledbetter
Research Assistant
School Planning Laboratory
College of Education
The University of Tennessee
Knoxville, Tennessee 37916

Dear Mr. Ledbetter:

Enclosed is a list of our publications, some of which might be of value to you in your summer program. We will be happy to send you copies of any you designate.

Under separate cover we are sending you several documents which might be of particular interest to you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

MEMORANDUM May 14, 1968

To: Members of the Executive Committee

From: Paul Anthony
Executive Director

Today I have learned that Emory Via will return to SRC as a permanent member of the staff, effective September 1, 1968.

I am sure you will be as pleased as I was on receipt of this news.

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ddress: c/o Dr. Lewis C. Hunter
5214 Westwood Drive, NW
Washington, D. C. 20016

Telephone: OL 6-1810

May 14, 1968

Dear Warren:

It was good to hear from you and learn that you two are well taken care of. I'm sorry that I missued your evening send-off.

When you have time to assay the general situation, would like to get your reading of it. The campaign passed through here "without incident" -- I believe the term is -- and proceeded south in the general route of Sherman's March to the Sea. It seems a long way around to me, but I guess it will work itself out.

We miss you at the Hong Kong family dinner; and I hear through the grapevine that your watch hog hasn't eaten since your departure, or maybe they do not eat during the month of May. I am altogether too ignorant of their habits, and can't say whether he's just a-wearying for you or not.

Let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.

REA,Jr/js

P. S. Could you or Bill, or both of you, do us a NEW SOUTH note -- for instant publication -- on what you're seeing and hearing?

MEMORANDUM

May 14, 1968

TO: Ruth Alexander Vick

FROM: Ed Stanfield

Please transfer $76.00 from Field Activities Contingency Fund to General Operations.

This is in payment for forty copies (40) of each of the following publications, which are being sent to invitees to a conference on the proposed Intergroup Relations Council of the Southwest:

IN MEMPHIS: MORE THAN A GARBAGE STRIKE
    (with two supplements)
NEW SOUTH (Winter, 1968)
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE: TO WHAT END?

May 14, 1968

Mrs. Mace Crandall
Membership Secretary
Council of the Southern Mountains, Inc.
College Box 2307
Berea, Kentucky 40403

Dear Mrs. Crandall:

We at the Southern Regional Council would like very much to have an agency membership in the Council of the Southern Mountains, Inc., if that is possible. Accordingly, enclosed is our check for $50.00.

If such a formal membership is not available, please consider this a modest contribution to your important work.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check; $50.00)
cc: Mr. Loyal Jones

May 14, 1968

Mr. Roy P. Peterson
Treasurer
Black Arts Commission
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Mr. Peterson:

I have read your proposal for the first annual Black Arts Festival and find it very interesting.

While I can well understand you might need $29,000 for your program, I regret to inform you that such funds are simply out of the question for the Southern Regional Council.

I do hope you have success elsewhere.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Mrs. Patricia Miller

May 14, 1968

The Referend Francis X. Walter
Selma Inter-religious Project
810 - 29th Avenue
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401

Dear Francis:

It will be fine with us if you want your grant handled through the Federation of Southern Cooperatives. Just let us know.

Enclosed is a formal letter of transmittal of the special grant.

Good luck.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

MEMORANDUM

May 14, 1968

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Ed Stanfield

Please send one copy of each of the following to each address on the attached labels:

IN MEMPHIS: MORE THAN A GARBAGE STRIKE
(with both supplements)

NEW SOUTH (current issue)

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE: TO WHAT END?

May 15, 1968

The Warwick Hotel
West Avenue & 25th Street
Newport News, Virginia

Gentlemen:

Please reserve for me a single room for the night of Monday, May 20, 1968.

I shall arrive around 4:00 P.M. and depart the following morning.

Yours truly,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

NOTE: Same letter to persons on the attached list

May 15, 1968

The Rev. Wendell Chino, Chairman
National Congress of American Indians
1346 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. Chino:

Professor Witherspoon of the University of Texas Law School has written to invite you to a meeting on May 26-27 to consider formation of a regional council on intergroup relations in the Southwest. Both of us are aware that this is short notice for one who is as busy as you are. I do hope you can arrange to attend, however, for I am convinced that this is a matter of great promise -- and considerable urgency -- for the people of the region.

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Dr. Witherspoon and I hope that you will peruse the publications, read the paper critically, and give us the benefit of your thinking at the meeting in Austin on the 26th and 27th.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES:cl

Dean Willard H. Pedrick
Arizona State University
College of Law
Tempe, Arizona

Professor Hack H. Friedenthal
Stanford University
School of Law
Stanford, California

Professor Don W. Sears
University of Colorado
School of Law
Boulder, Colorado

Prof. Kenneth L. Karst
University of Calif.
School of Law
405 Hilgrad Ave.
Los Angeles, Calif.

Prof. Wex S. Malone
La. State Univ.
Law School
Baton Rouge, La.

Mr. Stanley Marcus
No. 1. Nonesuch Rd.
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Robert Beer
6501 Hillcrest
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Maury Maverick, Jr.
302 Calvert Bldg.
San Antonio, Texas

Mr. Franklin Spears
Nat'l Bank of Commerce Bldg.
San Antonio, Texas

Mrs. George Farenthold
804 - 600 Building
Corpus Christi, Texas

Dr. Glenn R. Snider
Dept. of Education
Univ. of Oklahoma
Norman, Oklahoma

The Rev. W. H. Colson
4301 Ocean Drive
Corpus Christi, Texas

Mr. Sidney Stahl
2500 LTV Tower
Dallas, Texas

Senator Joe Bernal
2154 West Summit
San Antonio, Texas

The Rev. Henry Casso
210 St. Ann Street
San Antonio, Texas

Mr. Bernardo Valdez
777 Cherokee Street
Denver, Colorado

Ambassador Hector P. Garcia
1311 Bright Ave.
Corpus Christi, Texas

Miss Lorella M. Salazar
P. O. Box 636
Bernalillo, N. M.

Mr. Ed Idar, Jr.
515 Trust Building
San Angelo, Texas

Mr. Robert Sanchez
223 S. 17th Street
McAllen, Texas

Mr. Mario Vasquez
2329 Raggio Ave.
Santa Clara, Calif.

Mr. Edward O. Reyes
1419 Broadway
Oakland, Calif.

Mr. Maclovio Barraza
United Steelworkers of Amer.
2406 Miracle Mile
Tucson, Ariz.

Mr. John White, Pres.
Okla. Equal Opportunity Assoc.
P. O. Box 11197
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Mr. Thomas D. Armstrong
1213 Thirty-first Street
Galveston, Texas

Mr. Clarence A. Laws
1725 Poplar Street
Dallas, Texas

Senator Ernest N. Morial
1821 Orleans Ave.
New Orleans, La.

Mr. Robert Smith
c/o Mr. John White
P. O. Box 11197
Oklahoma City, Okla

The Rev. C. Wm. Black
Mt. Zion First Baptist Church
333 Nebraska
San Antonio, Texas

Mr. Henry Mathis
910 Allen Street
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Vine Deloria, Jr.
2440 S. Monroe
Denver, Colo.

Mr. Stuart Trapp
Original Cherokee Community Organization
605 East Downing
Tahlequah, Oklahoma

Mr. Domingo Montoya, Chairman
All-Indian Pueblo Council
907 Indian School Rd., N.W.
Albuquerque, N. M.

Mr. Raymond Nakai, Chief
Navaho Nation
Window Rock, Ariz.

Mr. Thomas Diamond
Diamond, Thorne, Leslie and Schwartz
1208 S. W. Nat'l Bank Building
El Paso, Texas

May 15, 1968

The Reverend Brice Joyce
Executive Director
Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Father Brice:

Many thanks for your good letter of May 14. It stirs guilt feeling, however, for I should have been in touch with you long before now. Let me rationalize that, besides being a little confused about your exact schedule, this has been a hectic time for me.

If you have any idea how appreciative I was andamm for your leadership in Sheffield, it will go without saying that your returning to Alabama as Executive Director of the Alabama Council is, to my mind, a most happy development. Your rugged, redemptive spirit is something Alabama needs.

Unfortunately, I will be engaged elsewhere for the rest of this month. Will you be in the office one day during the first week of June -- perhaps the 4th, 5th, or 6th? If so, I would like to drive down and spend at least a day with you.

Meanwhile, you might find it helpful to visit the office here, if you have the chance. I won't be in, except for May 28 and 29, when I'll be doing some paper work, but you would be welcome to look around and talk to the rest of the staff at any time.

I am asking Jim Wood to take care of the business of an airline credit card and our group major medical-hospitalization plan. You should hear from him or Mrs. Vick, our Treasurer, soon.

All good wishes,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 15, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mrs. John C. Bradshaw, Jr.
504 Rose Marie Avenue
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462

Dear Mrs. Bradshaw:

Thank you for your good letter of May 7. I am looking forward to the meeting on May 22.

I have written for a reservation at the Golden Triangle Motor Hotel. As I am to speak in Portsmouth on Thursday night, I shall stay at the hotel until Friday morning. Probably I shall rent a car~~d~~, so transportation will be no problem. Your offer to help with these matters is appreciated, nevertheless.

I do plan to attend the fellowship supper, and the people there and at the meeting will be excellent contacts, I am sure, for my purpose -- which is only the general one of learning about the situation in the Norfolk area.

Enclosed are a couple of newspaper clippings about Atlanta's reception of the Poor People's March. Atlanta is not the beloved community by any stretch of the imagination, but a little sensible leadership does help a lot.

Cordially,

J. Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
cc: Frank Adams

May 15, 1968

The Reverend Jorge Lara-Braud
Hispanic-American Institute
100 East 27th Street
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Dr. Lara-Braud:

Professor Witherspoon has written to you, or perhaps called, to invite you to the meeting that I mentioned to you when we met in Galveston. I remain convinced that the formation of such a regional council on intergroup relations could be a fruitful effort, and I do hope that you can help us chart a good course -- although Dr. Witherspoon and I realize that you are extremely busy.

Enclosed is a working paper which outlines in some detail a proposal for such an agency.

Under separate cover we are sending examples of publications of the Southern Regional Council. In case you are not familiar with them, these will give you an idea of the kind of fact-finding and publication which the proposed council might do.

Incidentally, I talked to Dr. James Millard in his office last Monday and told him that I had met you. He sends his regard and good wishes.

I look forward to seeing you again.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 15, 1968

The Reverend A. J. McKnight
Post Office Box 3005
LaFayette, Louisiana 70501

Dear Father McKnight:

Professor Witherspoon of the University of Texas Law School has written to invite you to a meeting on May 26-27 to consider formation of a regional council on intergroup relations in the Southwest. Both of us are aware that this is short notice for one who is as busy as you are. I do hope you can arrange to attend, however, for I am convinced that this is a matter of great promise -- and considerable urgency -- for the people of the region.

Enclosed is a working paper which outlines in some detail a proposal for such an agency.

We have sent under separate cover some of our publications. You probably are familiar with them, but we wanted you to see the examples that we are sending to others who are invited.

Dr. Witherspoon and I both hope that you can arrange to be present, Father McKnight. Your experience would be a great help in getting us "off on the right foot."

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 15, 1968

Mr. Mario Obledo
Post Office Box 12074
Capitol Station
Austin, Texas

Dear Mario:

Professor Witherspoon has invited you to a meeting on May 26-27 to consider formation of a regional council on intergroup relations in the Southwest. I think I mentioned this forthcoming meeting to you in Galveston.

We both hope that you can come, although we know you are very busy.

Enclosed is a working paper which outlines in some detail a proposal for such an agency.

Under separate cover we are sending examples of publications of the Southern Regional Council. In case you are not familiar with them, these will give you an idea of thekind of fact-finding and publication which the proposed council might do.

Thanks again for letting me observe at the state convention of LULAC. It was helpful to me -- as well as enjoyable.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 15, 1968

Mr. James E. Youngdahl
711 West Third Street
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Jim:

Professor Witherspoon of the University of Texas Law School has written to invite you to a meeting on May 26-27 to consider formation of a reginnal council on intergroup relations in the Southwest. Both of us are aware that this is short notice for one who is as busy as you are. I do hope you can arrange to attend, however, for I am convinced that this is a matter of great promise -- and considerable urgency -- for the people of the region.

Enclosed is a working paper which outlines in some detail a proposal for such an agency.

I especially hope you can attend, Jim, because your experience as a Labor lawyer and as a member of the SRC Board would be an invaluable help to us.

We have already sent you a packet of SRC publications. You are familiar with these, but I wanted you to know what we have sent to others who are being invited.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 15, 1968

Mr. Jack Rushing
University of Texas
School of Law
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Mr. Rushing:

Professor Witherspoon has invited you to a meeting on May 26-27 to consider formation of a regional council on intergroup relations in the Southwest. I do hope you can arrange to attend, for I am convinced that this is a matter of great promise -- and considerable urgency -- for the people of the region.

Enclosed is a working paper which outlines in some detail a proposal for such an agency.

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Dr. Witherspoon and I hope that you will peruse the publications, read the paper critically, and give us the benefit of your thinking at the meeting on the 26th and 27th.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 15, 1968

Professor Joseph P. Witherspoon
University of Texas
School of Law
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Joe:

I have your letter of May 13, and we have added the thirteen persons, including the American Indian delegation, to our list.

We will mail my letters and the working paper on Thursday morning, so that your letter will arrive either first or simultaneously.

I do not believe that the total of forty-three will be too many to invite. I antincipate that some of them will be unable to attend, so that the group will be small enough and the expenses manageable. Besides, as you say, the majority will be traveling only a short distance.

I have neglected to send you the name and address I promised: Mr. Maclovio R. Barraza, United Steelworkers of America, 2406 Miracle Mile, Tucson, Arizona. He is Temporary Chairman of the Southwest Council of La Raza.

Thinking of a permanent board of directors, we may be a little over-weighted on the side of professors and attorneys (I am still young enough and mean enough that this makes me nervous!), but I quite agree that all of t these men will be valuable help in charting a proper course.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES:cl

May 15, 1968

Mr. Stanley Marcus
No. 1 Nonesuch Road
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Marcus:

Professor Witherspoon of the University of Texas Law School has written to invite you to a meeting on May 26-27 to consider formation of a regional council on intergroup relations in the Southwest. Both of us are aware that this is short notice for one who is as busy as you are. I do hope you can arrange to attend, however, for I am convinced that this is a matter of great promise -- and considerable argency -- for the people of the region.

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Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

JES/cl

May 15, 1968

Mr. Nathaniel Lee Hawthorne
P. O. Box 79
Kenbridge, Virginia 23[illegible]44

Dear Mr. Hawthorne:

This is to let you know that we have received the Community Organizing proposal of the Southside Virginia Peoples Movement.

I regret to tell you that our limited resources are heavily committed, however, when we have had an opportunity to review your proposal we will be in touch with you.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

May 15, 1968

The Warwick Committee for
Community Development
P. O. Box 135
Warwick, Georgia

Dear Sirs:

This is to acknowledge your letter and the attached proposal of May 8.

Our resources are limited, however, when we have had an opportunity to review your proposal we will be in touch with you.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

cc: Charles Sherrod

May 15, 1968

The Honorable Barbara Jordan
5303 Lyons Avenue
Houston, Texas 77020

Dear Barbara:

Professor Witherspoon of the University of Texas Law School has written to invite you to a meeting on May 26-27 to consider formation of a regional council on intergroup relations in the Southwest. Both of us are aware that this is short notice for one who is as busy as you are. I do hope you can arrange to attend, however, for I am convinced that this is a matter of great promise -- and considerable urgency -- for the people of the region.

Enclosed is a working paper which outlines in some detail a proposal for such an agency.

We have sent under separate cover a packet of samples of SRC publications. You are already familiar with these, of course, but we wanted you to see what we are sending to other persons invited, as illustrative of the kind of publications which the proposed agency might produce.

I hope you can find time to read the paper critically and to give us the benefit of your thinking at the meeting. Your experience in Texas politics and as a Board member of the SRC would be an invaluable help to us.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 15, 1968

Mr. Wayne Allen Nichols
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125½ Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Nichols:

Enclosed is our check to cover the period from March 18 to May 15, 1968, for services rendered to the South Carolina Voter Education Project.

We regret the delay in transmitting these funds but trust future payments will be handled promptly.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

May 15, 1968

Mr. George Butler
Office of the Chancery Clerk
Courthouse
Port Gibson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Butler:

Enclosed is our check to cover the period from March 27 to May 15, 1968, for services rendered to Mrs. Collins.

We regret the delay in transmitting these funds but trust future payments will be handled promptly.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

May 15, 1968

Mr. Heber Green
Pitt County Branch, NAACP
1608 West Third Street
Greenville, North Carolina 27834

Dear Mr. Green:

I have received Mr. Felder's letter to Mr. Jordan dated April 28, 1968 with the newspaper clipping attached. However, as I explained in my letter of March 8, 1968 it is imperative that we have registration reports from you on the forms supplied. It is necessary for us to have these forms in order to keep a complete file on your project. Therefore I will appreciate it if you will send these forms to me as quickly as possible. Many thanks.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 15, 1968

The Reverend Thomas D. Walker
Chairman
Hoke County Voter Education Project
208 Reaves Street
Raeford, North Carolina 28376

Dear Mr. Walker:

Many thanks for your excellent reports and for the election statistics sent with your last report. I look forward to receiving the additional figures you mentioned. I would especially like to know what the final registration figures by race were andRaeford #5. Many thanks.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 15, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Vernon Jordan

FROM: Marvin Wall

I talked to Marge Hirth in Auburn yesterday morning. The grant letter should go to Miss Geraldine Pitts, alternate chairman, Ad Hoc Committee, P. O. Box 1575, Auburn, Alabama 36830. The bank account already has been opened and the three signers are listed on the attached sheet. Marge had a number of questions about how the handle the money that I didn't know how to answer and I told her that these questions would have to be referred to Thad. She said she would send a request for a special occasion for the young people.

May 15, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear John:

In case you have not seen it, I am enclosing a report from the FAPPO. Since the matter about the special cards and the problems about registering at the homes came up after the two Justice Department ment were there I am wondering if it might not be wise to send this information on to the Justice Department, just for the heck of it. Maybe this already has been done but I thought I would send a copy of the report to you just to make sure you knew about it.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 15, 1968

Mrs. Mamie Kendrick
Clay County Voter Education Project
Route 2, Box 114
Fort Gaines, Georgia 31751

Dear Mrs. Kendrick:

I tried to reach you today by telephone, but was unable to get your number from the operator. Please call me collect as soon as possible at area code 404 - 522-8764 in Atlanta. Best wishes and congratulations on a fine job.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 15, 1968

Mrs. Mary J. Williams
Secretary
Galax Branch NAACP
Route 5, Box 297-A
Galax, Virginia 24333

Dear Mrs. Williams:

As was done last year, please send in separate registration reports on the three counties in your area. Many thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 15, 1968

Miss Shirley M. Walker
NAACP Voters Education and Regiatration Project
2966 Anderson Avenue
Fort Myers, Florida 33901

Dear Mrs. Walker:

Please allow me to congratulate you on the thoroughness of your reports and also on the results obtained by the Lee County Project.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 15, 1968

AIR MAIL

Mr. John Hertzler
54 Denbigh Boulevard
Newport News, Virginia

Dear Mr. Hertzler:

I am planning to arrive in Norfolk on United flight 740 at 2:06 P.M. on Monday. If there is no limousine service to Newport News (which I doubt), I shall rent a car and drive to the Warwick Hotel, where I plan to stay. I shall call you upon arrival.

I am looking forward to the meeting.

Yours truly,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
cc: Frank Adams

May 15, 1968

Mr. Robert Valder
Legal Defense Fund
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Bob:

Yes, we shall be happy to put your new address on our mailing list for alleged newsletters.

Do keep in touch. And I trust it goes without saying that we here hope you and Jan both will find the new location and new job richly fulfilling.

Best regards,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 15, 1968

Golden Triangle Motor Hotel
Olney Toad & Monticello Avenue
Norfolk, Virginia

Gentlemen:

Please reserve for me a single room forthe nights of Wednesday, May 22, and Thursday, May 23.

I shall arrive before 6:00 P.M. on the 22nd and depart on the morning of May 24.

Yours truly,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

JOHN H. WHEELER, PRESIDENT
JOSEPHINE WILKINS, VICE-PRESIDENT
PAUL R. CHRISTOPHER, VICE-PRESIDENT
CHARLES G. GOMILLION, VICE-PRESIDENT
LUCIUS H. PITTS, VICE-PRESIDENT
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JOSEPH HAAS, COUNSEL
PAUL ANTHONY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southern Regional Council, Inc.
5 FORSYTH STREET, N. W.
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303
522-8764

May 15, 1968

Dean W. Page Keeton
University of Texas
School of Law
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Dean Keeton:

I am happy that Professor Witherspoon has invited you to attend our meeting on May 26-27. Thank you for permitting us the use of the parlor at the Law School.

Enclosed is a working paper which outlines in some detail a proposal for an intergroup relations council of the Southwest. We are sending it to all persons invited to participate in our meeting.

Under separate cover we have sent some publications of the Southern Regional Council as examples of the sort of fact-gathering and publishing which such an agency might do.

I know that you are very busy, but hope that you can give us the benefit of your thinking on the 26th and 27th. I look forward to seeing you again.

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield, Director
Field Activities

ES/cl
Enclosure

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A PROPOSAL FOR FORMATION OF AN "INTERGROUP RELATIONS COUNCIL OF THE SOUTHWEST"

That there is, throughout the United States, a severe and growing crisis in intergroup relations is obvious. The recent report of the President's Commission on Civil Disorders abundantly documents that fact. The Southwest, with its large Negro population, shares most, if not all, of the threatening tensions described in that report.

In addition, the Southwest has some regional characteristics, with regard to intergroup relations and tensions, which require particular and continuing interpretation. While the President's Commission seemed primarily concerned with black-white relations, the Southwest has two large minorities in addition to Negroes: Mexican-Americans and American Indians. It should be obvious that the unique heritage and history of each of these two minorites and the denials of equal opportunity encountered by their members require special consideration in dealing with intergroup tensions in the Southwest.

The old South, because of its history of slavery and the Civil War, has long received the special attention it deserves (although not as much of it as it needs). That region has been the object of innumerable studies by sociologists, demographers, economists, historians, political scientists and others. Both the South and its principal minority have developed a copious literature and a well-recognized culture. Moreover, southern Negroes have migrated in large numbers to urban centers all over the nation, which serves to give the nation a special awareness of the problems of the South.

This proposal is addressed to the need for exposition, to the nation as a whole and to the region, of intergroup relations problems and issues special to the Southwest and to the need for development of means and techniques for dealing with those special problems.

It is proposed that a private, non-profit corporation be formed to seek equal opportunities for all peoples of the Southwest by means of fact-finding, publication, education and demonstration of action programs. The policy board and staff of the suggested agency would include on some representative basis Mexican-Americans, Negroes, American Indians, and Anglos. It would foster, both through its structure and the content of its programs, mutual understanding among these four ethnic groups and cooperation toward the common, public welfare in the Southwest. (The name of the organization is unimportant, except that it should be distinctive. For convenience we shall use herein the name, "Intergroup Relations Council of the Southwest" -- IRCS.)

The Southern Regional Council, Inc., (SRC), headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, has served in the South for 24 years in many of the ways envisioned for the proposed Intergroup

Relations Council of the Southwest. The staff and policy board of that agency have offered to assist in establishing a similar organization in the Southwest. To the extent desired by the founders of IRCS, they are willing to share detailed information about their operations and the relative merits and demerits of their various programs. They have also offered to assist with initial fund raising and to pay modest expenses incurred in initial meetings.

The SRC functions primarily as a research and information agency. It maintains a large, specialized library, provides a reliable information service and publishes many timely, original studies and reports.

It is the parent agency of state councils on human relations in ten southern states. These are membership organizations which were set up autonomously in 1954 and 1955. They have served an important purpose for a dozen years. However, the SRC does not recommend this approach, in the light of developments in the sixties. It suggests, instead, direct service to local organizations and agencies, especially those of an indigenous nature.

More recently the SRC has conducted a number of "special projects," including their Voter Education Project, which has coordinated and funded highly successful voter registration and citizenship education projects, largely by local Negro organizations, throughout the South. Through its "Community Organization Project" the SRC has helped to establish the

Federation of Southern Co-ops, the Southwest Alabama Farmers' Cooperative Association, the West Tennessee Self-help Development Corporation, and numerous credit unions and other co-ops. Other projects are the Labor Project, the Crime and Corrections Project, and the Project in Housing and Urban Planning.

(It has been suggested that the SRC might simply expand its operations into the Southwest. The SRC staff thinks, however, that it would be more practical, more efficient, and more fruitful for citizens of the Southwest to establish a separate, parallel agency. Geographical distance, difference of history and tradition, different ethnic composition of the population, and the long-standing orientation of the SRC staff would make it at least as easy, they feel, to begin a new agency as to expand the operations of the old.)

The following are suggested for consideration by potential founders as important principles of IRCS:

(1) Respect for the cultural heritage of minorities. One Mexican-American leaders speaks of the need for "understanding of difference." The aim should be not the cultural assimilation of minorities, but the enrichment of the life of the region and the nation with their cultural contributions; not the absorption, but the due exercise of their economic and political potential.

(2) Endeavor complementary to that of allied organizations. IRCS should be in no sense competitive with organizations of

minority citizens for the betterment of their own group. It should seek to augment and, more particularly, to interpret their objectives and programs to the public at large, with a view to obtaining cooperative and creative response to their efforts.

(3) Recognition of the vital importance of private law, as well as public law, to the aim of community founded on justice. From this principle comes the unique function envisioned for the proposed agency -- that which would distinguish its role from that of allied public agencies and allied minority group organizations. The concept and importance of "private law" has been well stated by Professor Joseph P. Witherspoon of the University of Texas School of Law:

> But we should recognize that law is of two kinds -- public and private. Both forms of law are important to the effective operation of the legal order and to the health of political society. Public law, of course, takes the form of legislation, administrative agency regulations, and of judicial rules. Private law consists of contracts, conveyances, insurance policies, company rules and practices, union regulations, private association charters and by-laws, customary rules and practices, and many other types of law created by private individuals and private organizations to govern their relations with others. If we are to solve our crisis in human relations, it is essential that we create private law that is just even as it is essential that we create public law that is just.

(4) Encouraging greater representativeness in community life on the part of existing public and private institutions.

While IRCS would identify with and be supportive of the needs, aspirations and rights of minorities, it should give special emphasis to informing the dominant Anglo population and leadership, and to educing from them constructive responses to the just demands and aspirations of all minorities. It is this function, more than any other, which requires and justifies a "multi-ethnic" agency.

The following are offered for the consideration of potential incorporators as possible programs:

(1) Fact-gathering and publication of information. (The term "fact-gathering" is used, rather than "research," in order to suggest reporting of immediately applicable information more than pure, academic research.) An important function of such an agency could be service as a source of accurate information on conditions, public issues, and public affairs in the Southwest for individuals carrying out research, for other agencies (public and private) and for news media. In addition it could publish original studies of critical problems and develop a periodical devoted to its purposes.

(2) Technical assistance to local human relations organizations. There is evidence of a growing felt need in many municipalities of the Southwest for private and/or public human relations councils. IRCS could assist the formation of such agencies and development of their programs.

(3) Technical assistance to minority-group community organizations. Self-help efforts such as credit unions and cooperatives could be assisted to form and to find resources.

(4) Voter registration and citizenship education. Closely akin to item (3) is development, in cooperation with minority group organizations, of fuller participation in the whole political process without discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, or national origin. Programs might include voter registration and practical training, on a non-partisan basis, in the rudiments of political participation.

(5) Service as a locus of communication among leaders of the several minorities. In part this function would be carried out through the composition and regular operations of the agency and, in part, through the reports and periodical mentioned in (1). But IRCS would also be a logical sponsor of occasional conferences on matters of common concern throughout the region.

(6) Promotion of attention to human relations concerns by existing institutions. Particularly important in this regard are the universities and all of the professional schools included in them. Also important are penal systems and institutions, businesses and industries, labor unions, and the like.

(7) Leadership Training. Many individuals who are potential leaders, both in "grass roots" ethnic communities and institutions of the Southwest, lack knowledge of the techniques

of leadership and the resources available to them. Many young adults, particularly, are motivated now to work at problems of poverty and human relations. They need a source of information and training which IRCS could provide.

The particulars of the organization's structure are problematical and should be carefully discussed by the founders. For many reasons a mass-membership organization might not be wise, but the need may be felt for some sort of "indirect constituency." The Southern Regional Council is a self-perpetuating board of 100 persons chosen from across the whole region. That structure has both advantages and drawbacks.

One solution which has been suggested is to have the policy board, soon after incorporation and periodically thereafter, designate certain organizations and institutions which will be asked to nominate a representative for membership on the Board. The existing Board would then have the alternatives of accepting the individual nominated or requesting another nomination.

By whatever means, it is desirable to secure thoughtful men and women, committed to the purposes of the organization, who will bring to the policy board a wide variety of perspectives and fresh insights.

As for funding, it is expected that the proposed agency could secure foundation grants. Hopefully, foundations within the region, as well as national foundations, could be interested.

Other possibilities would be church denominations, labor unions, corporations, and some individuals. (The SRC is funded about 95% by foundations.) However, because development of programs and negotiation of grant proposals takes time, it would be desirable -- in the interest of rapid formation of the IRCS -- to secure initial, one-time donations from individuals of means or family-run foundations to underwrite the first six months of operation.

The following are rough, minimally adequate budgets for the first six months (the last half of 1968?) and for one year following (1969). They project moderately rapid, but judicious, development. Should special project opportunities arise, or more adequate funding be available, development in 1969 could be much faster, of course. (For example, the budget below for 1969 anticipates only a field director, but more field personnel could be well utilized.)

SIX MONTHS OF 1968

Salaries (Executive Director, Secretary	$10,500.00
Staff Benefits, Moving Expenses	2,000.00
Travel	2,000.00
Rent, Utilities	1,400.00
Supplies, Equipment	2,000.00
Printing, Publication	1,500.00
Telephone, Postage	1,500.00
Meetings, Program Development	800.00
Miscellaneous and Contingencies	800.00
TOTAL	$22,500.00

1969

Salaries (Executive Director, Research Director Field Director, and Two Secretaries)	$51,600.00
Staff Benefits, Moving Expenses	5,000.00
Travel	6,000.00
Rent, Utilities	2,500.00
Supplies, Equipment	2,500.00
Printing, Publication	4,000.00
Telephone, Postage	3,900.00
Meetings, Conferences, Program Development	5,000.00
Miscellaneous and Contingencies	2,500.00
TOTAL	$83,000.00

All of the foregoing is meant to be merely suggestive. None of the specifics outlined should be construed as already determined. This is intended only as a working paper for potential participants in the formation of such an agency.

May 15, 1968

Haas, Holland, Freeman,
Levison, and Gibert
2709 First National Bank
Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Sirs:

We wish to transfer the copyright of pages 2-119, NEW SOUTH, winter 1968, from Southern Regional Council, Inc., to Mr. Paul Good. If this involves execution of further documents, please let us know as soon as possible what is needed. Copyright registration number is B-420778.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,JR/js

cc: Mr. Paul Good

May 15, 1968

Mr. G. Cecil Jordan
5032 West Adams Street
Chicago, Illinois 60644

Dear Mr. Jordan:

In reference to your recent query, we do not have the material you mentioned.

The Coca-Cola Company is attempting to fill an educational gap by offering Golden Legacy, the illustrated Negro history magazine to the public at no cost. You may write to the sales promotion department of your local Coca-Cola Bottling Company.

You may also write Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 334 Auburn Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, 30303. They were the distributors of A Day With Debbie, a book published especially for young children.

Thanks for writing us, and if we can be of further service, please let us know.

Yours truly,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

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May 15, 1968

Mrs. Edwin J. Henrie
Program Officer
Eisenhower Exchange Fellowships, Inc.
256 South 16th Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102

Dear Mrs. Henrie:

We will be happy to have Mr. Jose Imaz with us on June 10 and 11, should that be convenient for you and him. We will anticipate Mr. Imaz' spending Monday, June 10th here at the SRC offices and on Tuesday, June 11th we will try to arrange a field trip to a small Georgia community where we are funding a voter education project.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Miss Julia Williams
A.C.I.V.

May 15, 1968

The Honorable Charles Percy
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator Percy:

Thank you for sharing with me your comments before the Senate on May 7th. Your comments are excellent and deserve to be repeated often.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 15, 1968

Mr. Kenneth Montgomery
120 West Adams Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Montgomery:

It was a pleasure to be with you in Chicago. And, again, may I express to you my most sincere appreciation for your support to Miles College.

It has occurred to me that you and Mrs. Montgomery might be interested in seeing a copy of the latest issue of our quarterly magazine, New South. A copy is enclosed. Should you wish I will be happy to place you on the Council's mailing list.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

May 15, 1968

Miss Nancy Seifer
Program Coordinator
Women's Africa Committee
866 United Nations Plaza
New York, New York 10017

Dear Miss Seifer:

We have your letter of May 9 regarding the 1968 leadership training program for African women.

Now, we are in contact with several community groups and self-help projects in the South that would be delighted to have the twelve ladies from the Ivory Coast visit them during the summer. In order to afford the ladies an opportunity to observe different types of community organizations and self-help projects, I would suggest that you contact the following:

Mrs. Eugene Witherspoon
Assistant Manager
Freedom Quilting Bee
Route 1, Box 72
Alberta, Alabama 36720

Mrs. Helen Howard
Director
Vine City Foundation
558 Magnolia Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Mr. William Harrison, President
Southwest Alabama Farmers Cooperative
c/o Alabama Council on Human Relations
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36380

Enclosed is some information on the above groups.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis, Director
Community Organization Project

JL/rh

Enclosures (3)

cc: Mrs. Eugene Witherspoon
Mrs. Helen Howard
Mr. William Harrison

May 15, 1968

Mr. Gerald Freund
Associate Director
The Rockefeller Foundation
111 West 50th Street
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Freund:

It is a pleasure for me to offer my opinion on the application of Mr. Pat Watters as a recipient of your experimental program for writers.

As his application reflects, Mr. Watters is an experienced writer and a very sensitive one. Quite frankly, I believe his combination of experience and sensitivity makes him at this time the most talented observer of the complicated southern scene. Further, I believe this opportunity to devote full time to writing would be of tremendous importance.

I have, however, mixed feelings about offering the above opinions because we will seriously miss his work here during any leave of absence he might take. I am convinced, however, that in the long run the interest of this agency with regional development will be enhanced by the work which Mr. Watters will do if he receives this assistance from the Rockefeller Foundation.

If further or more specific information is needed, I will be happy to provide it.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 16, 1968

Miss Lynette Taylor
Executive Director
Delta Sigma Theta, Inc.
1814 M Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Lynette:

Enclosed herewith is a list of resource people, public and private, that you may want to use in your Regional Seminar scheduled for Atlanta. I think that each person will be more than willing to participate in your program, assuming timely notice.

If I may be of any further service please let me know.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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May 16, 1968

Mrs. Leo J. Hirth
League of Women Voters Representative
Ad Hoc Committee for Voter Education &
Registration in Auburn & Lee Counties
442 Cary Drive
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Mrs. Hirth:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Ad Hoc Committee for Voter Education & Registration in Auburn & Lee Counties for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Auburn and Lee Counties, Alabama. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,000.00 for a period of ten weeks to run from May 20 to July 29, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Transportation		$ 600.00
Director's Expenses	for the month of May	160.00
Printing and Supplies		240.00
		$ 1,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any. encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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May 16, 1968

Miss Frenzella Volter
Director
New Iberia Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project
701 Walton Street
New Iberia, Louisiana

Dear Miss Volter:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the New Iberia Branch, NAACP, VEP, for a grant to conduct a voter registration project in New Iberia, Louisiana. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,000.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 1 to July 27, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

a)	Director's salary expense @ $45.00 per week	$ 360.00
b)	Secretary expense @ $30.00 per week	240.00
c)	Citizenship Education	120.00
d)	Telephone	40.00
e)	Typewriter Rental	60.00

f)	(5) Task Force Workers @ $ 15.00 per week	$ 600.00
g)	Transportation	500.00
h)	Office Supplies	80.00
	Total	$2,000.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are requested to submit weekly progress reports with the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d)problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation, or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided . A narrative monthly report also is required.

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further requirements for reporting.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. William Samuel

May 16, 1968

Mr. Howard R. Boozer
State Board of Higher Education
1307 Glenwood Avenue, Room 162
Raleigh, North Carolina 27605

Dear Mr. Boozer:

Thank you for your letter about the Winter NEW SOUTH. We will send your order under separate cover. I do not have a copy of the catalog referred to, however, I will check into it further with the author and let you know how you may secure a copy. The U. S. Government Printing Office may be able to provide it, but the size of it might well make the cost prohibitive. Anyway, I'll be in touch with you again.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson
Editor
NEW SOUTH

REA/km

May 16, 1968

Mrs. H. Elliott Wright
Administrative Assistant
Christianity and Crisis
537 West 121st Street
New York, New York 10027

Dear Mrs. Wright:

Confirming our telephone conversation of today, we would prefer to have your addresses on tapes with California and Northeast area names.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
NEW SOUTH

REA/km

May 16, 1968

Mr. Preston M. Yancy
2407 Lamb Avenue
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Yancy:

Thank you for letting us read your manuscript. There is much truth in it. I think, however, it does not quite come off for a NEW SOUTH piece.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
NEW SOUTH

REA/km

May 16, 1968

Mrs. John Long
Long's Acre
Marion, Alabama 36756

Dear Mrs. Long:

Thank you so much for your good comments on the Winter NEW SOUTH. It is hard, indeed, to see how this country, aware of the story which Mr. Good and Mr. Clayton tell, can fail to respond to the obvious needs of its poor. I appreciate your sharing your thoughts with us. I will see to it that both gentlemen see a copy of your note.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson
Editor
NEW SOUTH

REA/km

May 16, 1968

Mr. Jerome Nilssen
Editor
Board of Parish Education
Lutheran Church in America
2900 Queen Lane
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19129

Dear Mr. Nilssen:

Please feel free to quote from Dr. Clark's address. I think a credit line to this effect would be sufficient: "From an address before the Annual meeting of the Southern Regional Council, November 2, 1967." While I am reasonably sure that Dr. Clark will not object, perhaps you might let him know of your intentions, too. His address is: Metropolitan Applied Research Center, 330 W. 58th Street., Suite 16-7, New York, New York, 10019.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
NEW SOUTH

REA/km

May 16, 1968

Miss Judith L. Weidman
2139 Fairfax Avenue
Apartment 9
Nashville, Tennessee 37212

Dear Miss Weidman:

While we presently have no staff vacancy, we do appreciate so much your writing us of your interest in our work. Your resume is most impressive. I wonder if you might have an article in progress which we might consider for NEW SOUTH publication. I have seen some of the recent Methodist literature and find it both readable and relevant. I congratulate all who have had a part in its production.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
NEW SOUTH

REA/km

May 16, 1968

Mr. Matthew A. Timm
% Mr. Don Burnes
Miles College
Fairfield, Alabama 35064

Dear Mr. Timm:

Under separate cover I am sending some material that may be helpful to you in your project. I am also enclosing our later publication list.

Good luck to you and the other Vistas. If we can be of further service please let us know.

Sincerely,

Doris Reed
Research

DR/km

May 16, 1968

Mr. Robert Mants
353 N. Harvey Street
Greenville, Mississippi

Dear Bob:

Enclosed is the information that I promised you on fellowship opportunities in the area of public service and community organizing at the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh. James Cunningham who is associated with the university suggests that Negro students who have been involved in the Movement and the whole area of community organizing, but lack an undergraduate degree should also apply for a fellowship.

I hope that you will find this information helpful and you should encourage some of the young people in Mississippi to apply.

Sincerely,

John Lewis

JL/rh

Enclosures (3)

May 16, 1968

Miss Adrian H. Jones
Center for Research in Social Systems
The American University
5010 Wisconsin Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20016

Dear Miss Jones:

Under separate cover I am sending you two reports on the Memphis Strike, our publication list and xerox copies of racial disturbances here in Atlanta in Mechanicsville and Boulevard.

Thanks for writing us and if we can be of further service please let us know.

Sincerely,

Doris Reed
Research

DR/km

May 16, 1968

Miss Gaile P. Noble
New York State College of Agriculture
Department of Rural Sociology
116 Warren Hall
Ithaca, New York 14850

Dear Miss Noble:

Some material has already been forwarded to you.

In addition I am sending you some xerox material on Rural Poverty and a copy of our NEW SOUTH - Poverty in the Rural South.

Sincerely yours,

Doris Reed
Research

DR/km

May 16, 1968

Mr. T. B. Pratt
3198 Bouldercrest Road
Route 2
Ellenwood, Georgia 30049

Dear Mr. Pratt:

Some material has already been sent to you. For additional information I would suggest the following books:

The American Negro Reference Book - John P. Davis

The Invention of the Negro - Earl Conrad

The Negro Family: A Case for National Action - Office of Policy Planning and Research
U. S. Department of Labor

You may also write:

U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C.

Thanks for writing us and if we can be of further service please let us know.

Sincerely,

Doris Reed
Research

DR/km

May 16, 1968

Mr. Jack Bass
The Charlotte Observer
503 Columbia Bldg.
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Jack:

Received your round-up in good time for this issue. It is a mite long, but not overly so. There is a lot, as you say, to tell. It's great to have a knowledgeable, on-the-scene account of what is going over there. We'll look forward to future reports.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Editor
NEW SOUTH

REA/km

Enclosure - Check $50.00

May 16, 1968

Professor Joseph P. Witherspoon
Professor of Law
University of Texas
School of Law
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Joe:

Enclosed is our check for $1,000 to help toward the expenses of the conference. I hope this is enough to be of some help to you, and that you are successful with your other sources.

It sounds as if you have a good meeting coming up, and I am anxious to know the results of it.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check #4579; $1,000.00)

May 17, 1968

The Rev. Paul Matthias
Executive Director
South Carolina Council on Human Relations
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Paul:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $6,475.00, the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid and Rural Advancement Project grant (grant-in-aid, $3,475.00; Rural Advancement Project grant, $3,000.00) for 1968 to the South Carolina Council on Human Relations.

Please sign the enclosed copy of this letter and return it to me for our auditors' records.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

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May 17, 1968

Mr. Paul Matthias
Executive Director
South Carolina Council on Human Relations
1420 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Paul:

Thanks for the quarterly report. A check covering both the quarterly payment on our grant-in-aid and the quarterly payment for the Rural Advancement Project is being mailed under separate cover.

Your handbook for local councils is impressive. Congratulations. I hope you shared it with other state council directors.

Best regards,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 17, 1968

Mr. Don B. Dunlap
301 Crest Drive
Boone, North Carolina 28607

Dear Mr. Dunlap:

In response to your letter and the attached resume of May 11 to Mr. Leslie Dunbar, I regret to inform you that we do not have any openings in your area of interest. However, with you background and interest in the production of small fruits, home food production and ornamental horticultural, crops, I am forwarding a copy of your resume to Charles Prejean who is the director of the Federation of Southern Cooperatives.

We do wish you luck in finding employment in your area of interest.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis, Director
Community Organization
Project

JL/rh

cc: Charles Prejean

May 17, 1968

Mr. Jesse Morris
Poor People's Corporation
P. O. Box 977
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Morris:

Enclosed is our check for $10,000 in support of your program for the Education and Training of Co-operatives. This support, as you know, has been made possible by the New York Foundation.

The stipulations of the grant are as you outlined in your letter of May 14th, and are subject to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, Section 501(c)3.

We are very happy we can provide this support, and extend every good wish for the continued success of your program.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure @ (Check: $10,000)
cc: Mr. Thomas W. Wahman

May 17, 1968

Dr. Horace E. Tate
Georgia Teachers & Education Association
201 Ashby Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Mrs. Hugh Gibert
3521 Ivy Road, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Tate and Mrs. Gibert:

I regret that I will be out of the city and, therefore, unable to attend your meeting on May 28th. However, should you wish, I will be more than happy to consider signing any statement you prepare. Certainly, I agree with you that it is highly desirable to strengthen the Community Relations Commission.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 17, 1968

Dr. A. E. Manley
President
Spelman College
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Dr. Manley:

We are anxious to provide assistance to your Confrontation-Forum on Public Affairs if at all possible. I gather there is some doubt at this point that the first program planned for May 27-29 will take place. If, however, the program does take place, we may be able to provide up to $1,000, should that be necessary. I would be happy to discuss this with you or with someone on your staff by telephone next week.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 17, 1968

Mr. Louis Martin
Deputy Chairman
National Democratic Committee
2600 Virginia Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20037

Dear Mr. Martin:

The Voter Education Project's Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet at the Moton Memorial Conference Center, Capahosic, Vaa, June 21-23, 1968, beginning with dinner on the 21st and ending with luncheon the 23rd.

In addition to an evaluation of the current VEP activities, we will be taking a serious look at VEP program objectives for the next three years. We would like very much to have you share in this session on the direction of VEP after 1968.

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We look forward to seeing you at Capahosic.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 19, 1968

Mr. Wiley A. Branton
Executive Director
The United Planning Organization
1100 Vermont Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Dear Mr. Branton:

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Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 17, 1968

Mr. Clarence L. Townes, Jr.
Special Assistant to the Chairman
Republican National Committee
1625 Eye Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Townes:

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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 17, 1968

MEMO TO: KMartin

FROM: TOlive

RE: "Income -- VEP"

Please list the attached checks thusly,

ACLU -- the amount of $100.00 (Check) sale of VEP publications	$ 100.00
Daytona Beach Br., NAACP, Voter Registration Project (Refund from Project funds)	35.00
Total - - - - - -	$ 135.00

Please show the above amount as income on VEP's statement for the month of May, 1968. Thanks

cc: VEJ
MEV

May 18, 1968

Mr. David Mernitz
Attorney at Law
4419 North Park
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Dave:

Thought you might be interested in the enclosed Release from Harvard. As you can guess by now, I turned down the Kennedy offer. It was a difficult thing to do; however, I feel that it was the right decision.

Love to everyone.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

May 18, 1968

Mr. James Cook
~~Alumni Secretary~~
DePauw University
Greencastle, Indiana 46135

Dear Jim:

The enclosed Release may be of some ~~interest~~ news
~~use~~ to you as you think about ~~news for the~~ class
For the ~~of 1957's~~ next issue of the Alumni Magazine.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

May 18, 1968

John B. Cunningham, Jr.
Director
Franklin County Voter Education Project
Box 125
Winchester, Tennessee 37398

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of Franklin County Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Franklin County, Tennessee. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of six weeks to run from May 15, to June 26, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following.

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 240.00
(8) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	720.00
Transportation		300.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Telephone Expenses		60.00
Equipment Rentals		105.00
		$ 1,500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Wednesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:sas
Enclosure

May 18, 1968

Dr. Frederick D. Patterson
President
Phelps-Stokes Fund
297 Park Avenue, South
New York, New York 10010

Dear Dr. Patterson:

Enclosed herewith is a report of the VEP's 1967 meeting at Moton Memorial Conference Center. We look forward to returning on June 21-23, this year.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

May 20, 1968

Mrs. Madeleine M. Low
417 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mrs. Low:

Thank you so much for your indication that you might be willing to contribute to the Council.

We are a tax exempt agency and contributions are tax deductible gifts. Any consideration you can give us will be most deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 20, 1968

Mrs. Ruby G. Martin
Director
Office for Civil Rights
Department of Health, Education, and
Welfare
Washington, D. C. 20201

Dear Mrs. Martin:

Thank you for your letter of May 14th.

While I am delighted at your appointment, I am well aware of how difficult the position will be. If I or any of us here can be of any assistance to you, we will be more than happy to do so.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 20, 1968

Mr. Loyal Jones
Executive Director
Council of the Southern Mountains, Inc.
College Box 2307
Berea, Kentucky 40403

Dear Loyal:

Thanks for your note and I am pleased that we are members of your good organization.

We share admiration for James Dabbs.

I, too, hope that we can get to know each other in the not-too-distant future.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 20, 1968

Mr. Horace N. Barker, Jr.
Room 626
600 West 122nd Street
New York, New York 10027

Dear Mr. Barker:

I regret that our summer positions have been filled. This is a sincere regret, since we try to offer summer employment to as many southern students interested in this field as possible.

Under separate cover we are sending you a program report of our work and a publication list. Should you wish any of these materials, we would be more than happy to send them to you.

If ever you get through Atlanta, do stop by.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures

May 20, 1968

Community Relations Commission
of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

Attached is a list of Southern Regional Council staff people who wish to be listed as volunteers to serve as contacts for the Atlanta Rumor Control Center.

If this office can be of further assistance to you, please call on us.

Sincerely,

James N. Wood
Executive Assistant

JNW/mmj
Enclosure - 1.

Southern Regional Council
Staff Volunteers for Atlanta
Rumor Control Center

May 20, 1968

(NOTE: Each person listed can be reached by telephone during the day as follows: 522-8764-65-66 or 525-8197. Home telephones are listed beneath each name.)

1. Mr. Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
   766-8208

2. Mr. John O. Boone
   344-5901

3. Mrs. Harry H. Morrison (Bernice)
   CE. 708233

4. Mr. Thaddeus Olive
   799-8040

5. Mr. William F. Roberts
   633-5481

6. Mr. Moreland Griffith Smith
   892-7850

7. Mr. Edwin Stanfield
   351-2185

8. Mr. Marvin Wall
   237-3939

9. Mr. & Mrs. James N. Wood
   378-5186

May 20, 1968

Mr. Don Cruikshank, Jr.
Director of High Rise
North Hollow,
Rochester, Vermont 05767

Dear Mr. Cruikshank:

On behalf of the members of the Executive Committee may I acknowledge your letter of May 12, and thank you for the information which you included with it. Copies of the materials which you have sent will be shared with the Committee.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 20, 1968

Mr. David Entin
1442 Townsend Boulevard
Jacksonville, Florida 32211

Dear Mr. Entin:

This will acknowledge with our most grateful appreciation your contribution to the Council. If we can be of any further assistance to you, we would be more than happy to do so.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - (Publications List, Official receipt)

May 20, 1968

Mr. Courtney Siceloff
Director
Penn Community Services, Inc.
St. Helena Island
Frogmore, South Carolina

Dear Courtney:

You have no idea how much I sympathize, empathize, regret, and understand the situation and your situation relative to the material you have sent me.

It's easy to say and hard to do, but keep heart. If we can do anything to help, let me know.

All best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

Separate mailing:

1964 New South
Current New South
SRC brown brochure
Board List
Publications List

via air mail special May 20, 1968

Mr. Charles Stine
Director
Crown-Zellerbach Foundation
Crown-Zellerbach Building
1 Bush Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Stine:

Because of a speech before the National Conference of Social Welfare I shall be in San Francisco during the week of May 27th. I would be most grateful for a brief appointment with you during the course of that week. I should like to call your office on the morning of the 27th to determine if that is possible.

Under separate cover I am sending you several documents about our agency, in the hope that you may have an opportunity to glance at them briefly ahead of time.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

__via air mail special delivery__ May 20, 1968

Mrs. Tom Ragland
3821 Abbott Martin Road
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Martha:

I hope this reaches you in time.

While I wish you could be here for the beginning of the meeting, I suspect that several others will have arrival times similar to yours.

We will look forward to seeing you around 11:00 a.m.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 20, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
Executive Director
The Field Foundation, Inc.
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Les:

This will acknowledge receipt of the Foundation's grant of $13,800. The 15% overhead is very generous, and I am grateful for your thoughtfulness in providing this.

As soon as we can work out the details with Marian I will share them with you. We will, of course, provide you with a full accounting of expenditures at the end of the project.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Official receipt)

MEMORANDUM May 20, 1968

To: Ruth House Vick

From: Paul Anthony

For a period of approximately six (6) months we will be engaged in a program in Washington, using the staff assistance of Miss Marian Wright, a Field Foundation fellow. We will hire a secretary for her, pay office rent and related costs. It is estimated that our support for this program will be about $10,000. The Field Foundation has made us a grant of $13,800; $12,000 of which is to cover the cost of the Washington operation, and $1,800 is for SRC overhead.

Please set up a separate account for the handling of these funds. We will work out the details shortly with Marian Wright, and set up a budget.

PA/mmj
enclosure - 1. Copy of Field Foundation letter of transmittal for $13,800 grant. Dated: May 15, 1968.

May 20, 1968

Mrs. Carole Taylor
Arkansas Council on Human Relations
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

Dear Carole:

Thanks for your letter of May 17. I am looking forward to seeing you around the office.

The proposal you outlined seems like a good one to me. I am passing it along to Pat Watters and Bob Anderson to see if they are interested and think it fits into our scheme (?) of things. I am about to leave for the week, but we can discuss it further when you get here.

Best wishes,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 20, 1968

Miss Frenzella Volter
Director
New Iberia Branch, NAACP
Voter Education Project
701 Walton Street
New Iberia, Louisiana 70560

Dear Miss Volter:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEP in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincer Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 20, 1968

Miss Patsy Guesell
Room 1352
Indiana Building
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Guesell:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation, enclosed are our county-by-county figures for the state of Texas. For your information, I am also enclosing a copy of our latest VEP News. Please note the underlined paragraph where attention is given to registration in Texas.

If we can be of further service, let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
Enclosure

May 20, 1968

Mr. James Finney
NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund
10 Columbus Circle
New York, New York 10019

Dear Mr. Finney:

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan requested that I send to you the enclosed material, and to say that these copies are formats used in each of our such institutes with Fred Wallace assisting.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

/nm
Enclosures

May 20, 1968

Miss Marjorie McGinnis
c/o Dr. Beverly Cook
Political Science Department
University of Wisconsin
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53213

Dear Miss McGinnis:

I had hoped to receive some information about Negro registration in Dallas County, Texas, but so far this information has not arrived. I can only tell you that the current total registration in Dallas County is 466,925. Texas no longer maintains registration figures by race so I have no way of knowing what portion of this registration is Negro. However, in 1964 Dallas County had a Negro registration of 52,000 and in 1963 it was 20,705. According to the 1960 Census the Negro voting age population of Dallas County is 76,927.

I am sorry to say that I do not have any voter turnout figures for Dallas County. So far as I know there is no Negro judge in Dallas County. You might obtain more explicit information about these local matters by writing to the Post-Tribune at 2606 Forrest Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

I hope you find this information helpful. If I can be of further service, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 20, 1968

Mr. Michael E. Ruddy
3102 - 63rd Avenue
Cheverly, Maryland 20785

Dear Mr. Ruddy:

Mrs. Bartley has asked me to respond to your letter of May 10, 1968. I am afraid I have no special information pertaining to Alexandria. However, I am enclosing a copy of an address made by Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Director of the Voter Education Project, on the subject of urban problems and changing urban patterns. I hope you will find this address helpful.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 20, 1968

Mrs. Mary J. Williams
Secretary
Galax Branch, NAACP
Route 5, Box 297-B
Galax, Virginia 24333

Dear Mrs. Williams:

If at all possible, please indicate separately the number registered in each of your three localities: Grayson, Carroll and Wythe Counties. Many thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 20, 1968

Mr. Joseph W. Pritchett
Chairman
Martinsville-Henry-Patrick County
Voter's Registration Committee
217-B Fayette Street
Martinsville, Virginia 24112

Dear Mr. Pritchett:

If at all possible please indicate on your registration reports the number of persons registered in each of your three localities: Henry County, Patrick County and Martinsville. Best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 20, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Jordan

FROM: Marvin Wall

RE: Proposal from Dutch Morial

It would be nice if we could afford to spend $35,000 in every city in the South, but obviously we cannot. This proposal comes pretty near equalling what we have spent in whole states in the past, including a rather sizable expenditure last year in Mississippi. Obviously the proposal will have to be trimmed somewhere and a choice will have to be made as to which targets---all of them desirable---will be sought. I seem to recall that the project in New Orleans last year was not quite as successful as we had wished it would be. I remember that it registered somewhere between 360 and 500 new voters. In any event the proposal requests a disproportionate expenditure for a single city.

May 20, 1968

Mr. John B. Cunningham, Jr.
Director
Franklin County Voter Education Project
Box 125
Winchester, Tennessee 37398

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

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We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 20, 1968

Mr. Calvin Turner
Taliaferro County Voters League
Route 2, Box 63
Crawfordville, Georgia 30631

Dear Mr. Turner:

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 20, 1968

Mrs. Leo J. Hirth
League of Women Voters Representative
Ad Hoc Committee for Voter Education and
Registration in Auburn and Lee Counties
442 Cary Drive
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Mrs. Hirth:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

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Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MWL:mlj

May 21, 1968

Miss Daphne J. Bostock
The Tavistock Institute of Human Relations
Tavistock Centre
Belsize Lane
London, N.W. 3
ENGLAND

Dear Miss Bostock:

The undersigned is registered for a two week group relations meeting conducted by the Washington School of Psychiatry, June 8-21st. In asking for background reading, they have referred the attached list to me.

I have ordered Nos. 1, 4 and 5 from the U. S. Publishers. Could you assist me in obtaining Nos. 2, 3 and 6? Because time is so short could you air mail me copies and forward me a bill at the same time?

Thanking you very much for this assistance, I am

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

Enclosure:

R. 7.

May 21, 1968

Emory University Library
Atlanta
Georgia
Attention: Miss Walling
Reference Department

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to my telephone conversations with Mr. Guy Lyle, Director of your Library, and Miss Walling, we would like to borrow the following:

Bion, W. R.	Experiences in Groups Tavistock Publications, 1961
Higgin, G. & Bridger, H.	The Psychodynamics of an Intergroup Experience (Human Relations, 1964, 17, No. 4, pp. 391-446)
Menzies, I.E.P.	A Case-Study in the Functioning of Social Systems as a Defence Against Anxiety (Human Relations, 1960, 13, No. 2, pp. 95-121).

Thank you so much for your courtesy and interest, and we shall be pleased to receive these as soon as possible. Also, we shall certainly abide by your rules. If we can ever assist you, please let us know.

Yours very truly,

(Mrs.) Bernice S. Morrison
Librarian

May 21, 1968

Dr. K. U. Smith
University of Wisconsin
Department of Psychology
Charter at Johnson
Madison, Wisconsin 53706

Dear Dr. Smith:

Enclosed is a communication from the National Education Association which I thought you would like to have. As you can see, we have granted them the permission they seek.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

Encl. - 1.

May 21, 1968

Mr. James McBride Dabbs
Rip Raps Plantation
Mayesville, South Carolina 29104

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

Thank you for the comments on the Ferry thing. I wrote the letter to him not the magazine, sort of blowing the top of my head, and they asked to use it. I hope I can sort out my thoughts better for a more formal piece of writing.

It was wonderful seeing you all and your place. I went back when I got home and looked up the passage in The Southern Heritage about the plantation road -- a part of my mental landscape anyhow -- and appreciated it more.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

May 21, 1968

Mr. Andre Schiffrin
Pantheon Books
22 East Fifty-first Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Andre:

Here it is. There are some rough spots, and probable places to cut. I will tinker with a carbon, but will wait to hear from you before any serious revision.

To complete this section, I have almost finished a chapter on the cities and towns, using Atlanta as the best of the big cities to suggest how bad off all of them are, and using several smaller cities to suggest the tone in them, emphasizing that they, the small cities, are dominant now, as the rural once was, in southern culture.

I think the organization into sections with untitled chapters and numbered breaks in each chapter will accommodate this material best. I have worked over my carbons of the first two chapters accordingly, using them as Section I, titled, "The Changing Mind of the South." If this arrangement seems satisfactory to you, I foresee, really, only two more sections, one on the people, white and black, and one on the movement, past and present. The movement section will develop the theme that it is here, if anywhere, that the South will find the strengths and ideas to realize its best potential, here that the nation might find new strengths. This will take in all of the material covered in the old outline, I think, yet avoid the sort of compartmentalization that it demanded.

I am of course too close to the material to judge whether it does what I want it to do -- which is to develop in the reader a sense of intimate familiarity and understanding like that which comes from living in the South and living with its many problems, foibles, peculiarities, and goodnesses.

I'll be anxious to get your reaction.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters

PW:js

Encl. - 1.

May 21, 1968

AIR MAIL

Dr. Don W. Sears
Professor of Law
University of Colorado
Boulder, Colorado 80302

Dear Dr. Sears:

Your letter of May 20 was received. Mr. Stanfield is out of the city and pursuant to a telephone conversation with him, I am answering your letter.

We regret that you will be unable to attend the initial meeting of the IRCS in Austin, but pleased with your interest and desire to participate. We would be very happy for Mr. Russell Olin to attend in your place.

Cordially,

Mrs. Carolyn Lockhart
Secretary to Mr. Stanfield

cl

May 21, 1968

Mr. Dennis McMahon
Base Legal Officer
129 LeJune
Quantiaco, Virginia

Dear Mr. McMahon:

This is to verify that I have been acquainted with Mr. James Webb and his work for several years.

While Mr. Webb was active in the civil rights movement in Nashville, in the early 60's, I was chairman of the local student movement and I found his services to be adequate, and otherwise found him to be of good moral character.

During my association with Mr. Webb, he was always responsible and efficient. With a wealth of knowledge of the problems of the country and his deeply commitment to the philosophy of nonviolence and love, Mr. Webb will bring great honor to the Nation. What he is doing to improve the lot of a great many people is in the interest of the Nation.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

May 21, 1968

Mr. Harry Fleischman
Race Relations Coordinator
The American Jewish Committee
165 East 56th Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Harry:

Thank you for sharing with me the checklist and the thought-starters. They are excellent, and I think the thought-starters would be particularly valuable for the state and local Councils on Human Relations. Would it be possible for you to send a copy to each state Council director, along with permission to draw from them or reproduce them for their local chapters, if they wish? If so, a directory of names and addresses is enclosed.

Incidentally, we have todate distributed some 15,000 copies of the Kerner Report Summary, and the demand is still heavy.

With warm regards,

Sincerely

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1

May 21, 1968

Mr. E. L. Slade, Jr.
President
Richmond Branch, NAACP
420 North First Street
Room # 2
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Ed:

It was good seeing you while I was in Richmond last week. I found the results of the first phase of your voter registration campaign very heartening indeed. I trust that these results will be duplicated in future programs.

Please give my very best regards to all of the workers.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 21, 1968

Mrs. Virginia Carrington
President
Charlottesville Branch, NAACP
213 Ninth Street, N. W.
Charlottesville, Virginia 22901

Dear Mrs. Carrington:

I am very sorry I was unable to see you while I was in the Charlottesville area. I had hoped to meet and discuss with you the progress of your drive in Charlottesville. Perhaps I will get to see you on my next trip to Virginia.

Mr. George Whitlock, chairman of the Political Action Committee, was very helpful in giving me a rundown on the progress that has been made in the past few weeks. I commend you for this work and I hope that future efforts will be even more productive.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 21, 1968

Mr. George Whitlock
1012 Ridge Street
Charlottesville, Virginia

Dear Mr. Whitlock:

Thank you for taking off from your busy schedule to spend a few minutes with me. I appreciate the information you gave concerning the progress of your voter registration drive in the Charlottesville area.

Hopefully when next I am in Charlottesville I will get to see you. Until then the best of luck in your efforts.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 21, 1968

Mr. M. W. Thornhill, Jr.
President
Lynchburg Voters League
525 Smyth Street
Lynchburg, Virginia

Dear Mr. Thornhill:

It was good meeting with you and Mrs. Paine last week. I was very impressed by the organization of your registration drive and I wish for you every success in future programs of this nature.

Thanks also for the soul food. I enjoyed it immensely.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 21, 1968

Mr. Nathaniel Lee Hawthorne
President
Lunenburg County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 79
Kenbridge, Virginia 23944

Dear Mr. Hawthorne:

I was very happy to have met you while I was in Lunenburg County. You are a real fighter and I admire you for your courage and committment to the movement for human dignity and freedom.

I hope that in the ensuing weeks you and your workers will be able to improve on those 21 persons you registered. I recognize the problems you have in getting people to registered but it is absolutly imperative that your efforts yield more registrants than this.

Good luck in your program.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 21, 1968

Mr. Garland Davis
President
Mecklenburg County Voters League
1080 Boyd Street
Chase City, Virginia

Dear Mr. Davis:

Thank you very much for the time you spent with me while I visited your project headquarters in Chase City. I was very impressed with the operation of your voter registration drive. You and other members of the Voters League are to be commended for the work you've done.

Please convey my very best good wishes to all workers in the Mecklenburg County area.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 21, 1968

Mr. Bannister Carden
President
Halifax County Independent Voters League
Route 2, Box 179
Scotsburg, Virginia

Dear Mr. Carden:

Thank you very much for the time you spent with me while I was in Halifax County. It was a pleasure to have met you and I only regret that I did not have more time to spend in the county. Perhaps on my next trip to Halifax County I will be able to attend one of your Voters League meetings.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 21, 1968

Mrs. Virginia Johnson
Chairman
Pittsylvania County Voters League
P. O. Box 97
Chatham, Virginia

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

It was a pleasure to have met you while I was in Virginia. My only regret is that I was not able to spend more time with you. At any rate I think that you and your workers have done well during the course of your registration drive. I hope that these efforts can yield significant results.

The best of luck during the remainder of your program.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 21, 1968

Mr. Edwin Beavers
424 Camp Street
Danville, Virginia

Dear Mr. Beavers;

Allow me to express my appreciation for the time you and members of your organization spent with me while I was in the Danville area. I enjoyed being a part of your meeting and wish for you every success in the community projects you have undertaken.

Please convey my very best good wishes to everyone who was in attendance at the meeting.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project'

WJR:mlj

cc; RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

Received:___________

May 22, 1968

The Louisiana State University
Press
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, The Emergence of the South, 1913-1945, by George B. Tindall.

Our check for $12.50 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $12.50 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.
Received:______________

May 22, 1968

Radical Education Project
Box 625
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48109

Dear Sirs:

Please send us the following:

Ghetto Redevelopment: Corporate Imperialism for the Poor by Richard Cloward and Frances Piven . . .	.10
The Position and Progress of Black America: Some Pertinent Statistics . . .	.10
Medical Ghettoes by Anslem L. Straus . . .	.10
Black Power: SNCC Speaks for Itself . . .	.10
Labor in the South: Black Workers Set Against White by Robert Analvage . .	.05
GE: Profile of A Corporation . . . . . . by Jerry DeMuth	.10
Total --	.55

Our check is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - 1.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

REceived:_____________

May 22, 1968

Farrar, Straus and Giroux
19 Union Square, West
New York, New York 10003

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, The Committee: The Extraordinary Career of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, by Walter Goodman.

Our check for $10.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $10.00 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

Invoice rec'd: _______________
Check mailed: _______________

May 22, 1968

Georgia Department of Labor
State Labor Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of the report entitled, "Economic Assumptions for Georgia in Fiscal 1969," and bill us if there is a charge.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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cc: RV
Approved: PA

For: Res. Dept.

Received:__________

May 22, 1968

Harper and Row, Inc.
51 East 33rd Street
New York, New York 10016

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, The Burden of Race, by Gilbert Osofsky.

Our check for $7.95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $7.95 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

REceived: ____________

May 22, 1968

The University of North Carolina
Press
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Poverty and Politics: The Rise and Decline of the Farm Security Administration, by Sidney Baldwin, due for publication on May 25.

Our check for $10.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $10.00 check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

Received:____________

May 22, 1968

Superintendent of Documents
U. S. Printing Office
Washington, D. C. 20402

Dear Sir:

Please send us the following:

Civil Disturbances and Disasters D 101.20:19-15	$ 1.00
How to Turn Talk Into Action J 23.8:H 88/966	.10
Report of the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders Pr 36.8:C 49/R 29	2.00
TOTAL ---	$ 3.10

Our check is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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Encl. - $3.10 check.

cc: RV
Requested for: VEP

Received: ___________

May 22, 1968

The University of Alabama Press
University, Alabama

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Negroes, Ballots, and Judges, by Donald S. Strong.

Our check for $5.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $5.00 check.

May 22, 1968

Grossman Publishers, Inc.
125-A East 19th Street
New York, New York

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, Gothic Politics in the Deep South: Stars of the New Confederacy, by Robert Sherrill.

Our check for $6.95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $6.95 check.

cc: RV
To be Approved

for Res. Dept.

May 22, 1968

Beacon Press
25 Beacon Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02018

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of, The Right of Revolution, by Truman Nelson.

Our check for $1.75 is enclosed for the paperback edition.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $1.95 check.

Requested for: Res. Dept.

Invoice Rec;d:__________

Check Mailed:___________

May 22, 1968

Mr. Dick Netzer
New York University
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Netzer:

We would like to have a copy of the research report dealing with property tax, which was prepared for the National Commission on Urban Problems.

Please send us a copy, and bill us if there is a charge.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

May 22, 1968

Social Forces
University of North Carolina Press
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

RE: June Renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please continue our subscription to your magazine for another year, and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

May 22, 1968

The Atlanta Magazine
Atlanta Chamber of Commerce
1104 Commerce Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: June Renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please continue our subscription for another year, and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary

jcs

May 22, 1968

The Richmond News Leader
P. O. Box 1600
Richmond, Virginia

RE: June Renewal.

Dear Sirs:

Please continue our subscription to your paper for another year, and bill us.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

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cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

Received:______________

May 22, 1968

Random House, Inc.
33 West 60th Street
New York, New York 10023

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of: Two-Factor Theory: The Economics of Reality or, Howto Turn Eighty Million Workers Into Capitalists on Borrowed Money, by Louis O. Kelso and Patricia Hetter.

Our check for $4.95 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary'
Research Department

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Encl. - $4.95.check.

cc: RV
Approved: PA
For: Res. Dept.

Received: ___________

May 22, 1968

The Morrow Publishing Company
4163 Market Street
San Diego, California 92101

Dear Sirs:

Please send us one copy of Mississippi: Children and Politics in Poverty, ~~edited by Jeremy Larner and Irving Howe~~.

Our check for $5.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $5.00 check.

Copy of same to John Lewis - SRC

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Ed Stanfield

FROM: Moreland Smith

DATE: May 22, 1968

SUBJECT: Atlanta Meeting on Equal Opportunity in Housing

Attached hereto is a program, etc., on the Atlanta Meeting on Equal Opportunity in Housing. I have talked the matter over with Paul and he has agreed for SRC to assume the costs of some SRC staffers who would be constructive participants. Paul, particularly asked me to speak to you about attending.

Please let me know if you can, and I hope very much you will.

MS/vmb

Attachment:

May 22, 1968

Mr. Clifton H. Johnson
Director
Amistad Research Center and
Race Relations Department
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan has requested that I send to you the enclosed information and photo for your use in connection with his sepaking engagement.

If at all possible, we would appre preciate your returning the photo. Our supply is almost exhausted.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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Enclosures

May 22, 1968

Mr. Herbert Bellamy
421 East Ferry Street
Buffalo, New York 14208

Dear Mr. Bellamy:

Mr. Vernon E. Jordan, Jr. has requested that I send to you the enclosed materials in connection with a speaking commitment. If additional information is needed, please let me know.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Nobbie H. Morgan
Secretary to Mr. Jordan

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Enclosures

May 22, 1968

TO: Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
FROM: Weldon J. Rougeau
SUBJECT: Field Trip to Tampa - St. Petersburg, Florida

This is a report of a field trip I made to the Tampa - St. Petersburg area on April 29. The purpose of this trip was to, in the aftermath of our meeting with Barbara Whitaker, take a look at the Tampa Urban League's Citizenship Education Program. I must admit that I did not leave Tampa very impressed, the copious content of the program notwithstanding.

FIELD REPORT #18

The St. Petersburg(Pinellas County) Program

On the evening I arrived in Tampa - St. Petersburg, the program for Pinellas County was being conducted in St. Petersburg at the Seminole Methodist Church. I went to the church and sat in on the sessions that were being held.

The sessions that evening were devoted to housing codes in St. Petersburg and Pinellas County. Messrs. Jerry Mecco, of the Jordan Park community, and Eugene Bowen of the Pinellas County Housing Authority spoke to a total of 35 persons, approximately one-third white, about their respective jobs.

For the most part, the presentations were good. The men who spoke knew their fields well and answered questions without difficulty. One of them showed slides and gave a thorough explanation of his work, the people he served, and the people who work with him. The other just talked about some things he had probably discussed many, many times.

What bothered me most at this session was the small number of people involved in it. A total of 35 people is not very large by almost any standards. I felt that a program such as this should be reaching more than 35 people per week in Pinellas County. And this is really why I was disappointed.

To be sure, the topics scheduled for discussion are important and well structured, but the extension of this is an attendance that can benefit from that which is being offered. It appears to me that we are spending quite a bit of money to reach such a small number of people. But aside from the poor attendance, I have no criticisms of the Pinellas County program.

The Tampa Program

In Tampa, the following night, I attended a citizenship education session held at the General Telephone Company building. This session was devoted to voting and running for office. Members of the Hillsborough County League of Women Voters and local political aspirants served as resource people for the session. On the whole, it was not very good.

As in the case of the St. Petersburg session, this program was plagued by poor attendance. Moreover, the content of the program left much to be desired when it was presented to the participants. Only about 15 persons showed up for this session and they seemed as bored as I was. And while the people who served as resource people seemed to know what they were talking about, they did not do such a good job saying it to the people who were in attendance.

The problems with this program are probably ones that would be encountered by other similar programs. For one thing, much of what is done at "citizenship education" workshops is done without a definite approach: not one seems to know how the relevant material can be effectively presented. Another thing that worries me is the seeming inability of these programs to reach a significant number of people. And I am convinced that unless there is a well-organized concerted effort to reach people who need to be "educated" in citizenship, the whole concept of citizenship, education will be a flop.

Now, it seems to me that a munber of programmatic questions are raised here:

(1) What is citizenship education? What are its limitations? What does it entail? What does the concept exclude?

(2) How can the large amounts of seemingly relevant materials best be presented?

(3) Is it possible to reach large numbers of people in citizenship education? Is it logical to expect large numbers of people to attend "classes" of this sort?

(4) What is the role of public institutions such as school systems vis-a-vis that of private institutions, such as churches, in the citizenship training of people? Is this too much to expect from these institutions? What are alternative ways to achieve maximum participation.

And there are many more questions that come to mind on this subject.

I was told that it was hard to understand why people failed to show up in large numbers for the programs in St. Petersburg and Tampa. Mrs. Elizabeth Carmony, the coordinator, told me that this was the worst week they had ever had. Maybe that's true, but that was the way it was while I was there.

Talk about me much as you please,
Talk about me much as you please,
Children, talk about me much as you please,
Gonna talk about you when I get on my knees.

(from "I Been Rebuked & I Been Scorned")

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May 23, 1968

Mr. William P. Randall
Executive Secretary
Bibb and Jones Counties Action Committee
850 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Bibb and Jones Counties Action Committee for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Bibb and Jones Counties, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,500.00 for a period of twelve weeks to run from June 8 to August 31, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to twelve weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Secretary's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	$ 420.00
Seven (7) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	1,260.00
Transportation		565.00
Office Rent		150.00
Telephone		55.00
Office Supplies		50.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Monday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsbile for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting **FORTH THE FOLLOWING**: number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting Requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

May 23, 1968

Mr. James Heard
Winthrop E-24
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Mr. Heard:

Before we can reimburse the expenses incurred during your visit to Atlanta for an interview with the VEP staff, it will be necessary for us to have the receipted portion of your plane ticket and any other such receipts.

We realize that we should have informed you of this when we sent your travel advance in the amount of $130.00, but trust this will not cause you any undue inconvenience.

Thank you kindly.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

cc: PA
VEJ
RHV

MEMORANDUM May 23, 1968

To: Bernice Cook

From: Paul Anthony

Bernice,

Please have packaged up and sent 50 copies of our current New South to Emory Via. (Label attached)

Original
& Green
to E.S.

May 23,1968

Miss Mary Lou Skinner
Health Education Consultant
Region IV
Public Health Service
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Miss Skinner:

The person most responsible for our involvement in past Community Leadership Development Laboratories is Edwin Stanfield, Director of Field Activities. He is out of town for about a week. Your note will be called to his attention when he returns.

Because of unusually heavy financial commitments I sincerely regret that we are not in a position to be of financial assistance.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 23, 1968

Dr. W. D. Weatherford
Black Mountain
North Carolina 28711

Dear Dr. Weatherford:

I am so sorry you have been having a difficult time, but so much appreciate your note and your vote of confidence.

All here join me in extending to you every good wish.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 23, 1968

Mr. Robert P. Coggins
1934 South Ithan Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19143

Dear Mr. Coggins:

The Council has a budget of slightly more than $1,000,000 per year at this point, and of that amount approximately 95% of these funds are from national foundations. These include the Ford Foundation, the Rockefeller Foundation, the Field Foundation, the New World Foundation, and the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation.

While we receive a few contributions from individuals, the Council does not solicit them.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 23, 1968

Miss Patricia G. Brown
1919 Third Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Brown:

We have been unable to raise the funds we had anticipated during the course of the spring. Therefore, I sincerely regret to inform you that we will be unable to offer you employment for the coming summer. If, after your arrival in June, you have difficulty in securing a position, you might check with me then to see if our situation has changed.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 23, 1968

Mr. Nathan Perlmutter
The American Jewish Committee
Institute of Human Relations
165 East 56th Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Nate:

While I am somewhat disappointed that AJC will not co-sponsor the Sherrill article in the forthcoming New South, I nevertheless understand, I believe, the thinking behind this. Otherwise, I agree completely with the thoughts in your letter and on the sharing of the costs encountered and the commitments made.

I do hope we can soon get Reese Cleghorn's manuscript, and while I will speak to him about it, I assume Charles is pushing this formally.

Your question about the return of the $4,000 confuses me. Certainly, it is available to be returned should you wish it. However, would it not be simpler bookkeeping for both of us to consider this a part of the funds toward your 50% share of the costs? If we do this, when the final costs are computed we will take AJC's share from that $4,000 and return the balance, if any, as I would think there would be. At your convenience, let me know which way you would prefer handling this.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
cc: Charles Wittenstein
Milton Ellerin

via air mail May 23, 1968

Dr. M. Robert Coles
Coolidge Road
Concord, Massachusetts

Dear Bob:

I will be in San Francisco all of next week for the same absurd affair you will be attending. I am staying at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel. If you have a chance, give me a call.

Hope to see you.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 23, 1968

Mr. L. D. McAlister
Managing Editor
The Atlanta Journal
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. McAlister:

Your current series, The Two Atlantas, is so interesting that I anticipate a demand on us. Would you be good enough to send us several copies of this, if you have it in a convenient packet?

Thank you so much.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Bernice S. Morrison
Librarian

May 23, 1968

Mr. Nathaniel Lee Hawthorne
P. O. Box 79
Kenbridge, Virginia 23944

Dear Mr. Hawthorne:

In reviewing the Community Organizing Proposal of the Southside Virginia People's Movement, we would appreciate information on the following questions:

> What is the structure of the Southside Virginia Peoples Movement? Is there a Board; if so, who are the members and how were they selected? Who are the officers? Who will be responsible for hiring the personnel for the program?
>
> Are you currently receiving any funds? We need a list of your contributors; how much each is contributing; and for what project, or for which segment of the proposal you submitted to us, the money is being used.

We recognize the value and need for the over-all program that you have proposed, and hope that we may be of assistance to you.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

May 23, 1968

The Warwick Committee for
  Community Development
P. O. Box 135
Warwick, Georgia

Dear Sirs:

In reviewing your proposal, we would appreciate further information on the following questions:

How do you plan to use the $10,000? Details on this need to be outlined--for example, salaries, supplies, building or office space, etc.

Administration of the project - Is there to be a director and other employees to operate the project? What will be the functions of the administrators? How will they be selected; who will do the hiring?

Approximately how many people do you expect to join the cooperative? How much do you expect to receive in cash and in other forms of equity? (This needs to be related to the budget for the $10,000.)

What type of competition to the store do you face in Warwick?

We recognize the tremendeous need in Warwick for the program you have proposed, and hope that we may be of assistance to you.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

John Lewis

JL/rh

cc: Charles Sherrod

cc: RV

For: Res. Dept.

May 23, 1968

The Journal of Politics
Southern Political Science
Association
Office of the Managing Editor
Peabody Hall
University of Florida
Gainesville, Florida 32601

Attention: Mr. Harry Kantor

Dear Sir:

Please enter a one-year subscription to your publication for us.

Our check for $6.00 is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Janet C. Shortt
Administrative Secretary
Research Department

jcs

Encl. - $6.00 check.

May 23, 1968

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Thank you kindly.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj

cc: PA
VEJ
RHV

May 23, 1968

MEMO TO: KMartin

FROM: WJRougeau

RE: Reimbursement from travel advance as of 5-9-68

Attached herewith is a check in the amount of $8.20 as [illegible] refund for travel advance as of the above date.

Thanks

Enclosure
Ck. $8.20

May 23, 1968

Mr. D. L. Inman
Publisher and Editor
The Thomasville News
P. O. Box 1013
Thomasville, Georgia

Dear Barney:

Enclosed are some newsletters that I picked our in the hope that they would have some articles of use to you. We'll put your name on our mailing list. Enjoyed talking with you and best of luck.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 23, 1968

Mrs. Marionette Wiggins
217-B Fayette Street
Martinsville, Virginia 24112

Dear Marionette:

It was a pleasure to meet and discuss with you the progress of the Martinsville-Henry-Patrick County Voter Registration Committee. I was fairly well impressed with the work that has been done there. I am sure the operation will be a much more impressive one after the councilmanic election in Martinsville. It is very important that something be done in Henry and Patrick Counties.

Please express my very best good wishes to Messrs. Muse and Pritchett.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 23, 1968

Mr. Stephen Stephan
Chairman
Department of Sociology and Anthropology
College of Arts and Sciences
University of Arkansas
Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701

Dear Mr. Stephan:

Your letter has been passed along to me for reply. Your library may obtain a copy of "Climbing Jacob's Ladder" by writing to the Southern Regional Council. The cost is $8.95 per copy plus 20¢ postage.

"Climbing Jacob's Ladder" was designed as a report on the first Voter Education Project. I am enclosing copies of our newsletter which describe and summarize the activities of the current Voter Education Project.

Thank you very much for your inquiry. If I can be of further service please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 23, 1968

Miss Mary Eileen Laird
402 Hillside Drive, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Miss Laird:

I am enclosing Xeroxed copies of the Georgia registration figures as requested. I do not find any figures in my files for years prior to 1958. However, I am quite certain it was the official practice of the State of Georgia to maintain registration by race and by county during the 1940's and 1950's. Therefore, it seems to me registration figures for the period 1946-1958 should be available from Secretary of State Ben W. Fortson.

I hope you find these statistics helpful. Please do not hesitate to let me know if we can be of further service.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 24, 1968

Dr. James H. Smylie
Union Theological Seminary
3401 Brook Road
Richmond, Virginia 23277

Dear Jim:

Thanks for your note and the copy of your article on Protestant-Roman Catholic relations.

Under separate cover I am sending you a copy of my report on Memphis. It turned out to be an original report and two supplements. "Mirror to America?" was only the second supplement!

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 24, 1968

Mr. Byron Fullerton
Assistant Dean
School of Law
University of Texas
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Byron:

It was a pleasure. I only hope we can continue to get into trouble together.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 24, 1968

Mr. Robert Scrivner
Rockefeller Brothers Fund
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10020

Dear Mr. Scrivner:

I shall be in New York on June 5 and 6 and would enjoy the opportunity to drop by briefly, if you are available. I shall call your office on the morning of the 5th to see if this is possible.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

via air mail May 24, 1968

Mr. Christopher Edley
The Ford Foundation, Inc.
320 E. 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Chris:

I shall be in New York on June 5 and 6 for several purposes, but would especially like to have an opportunity to talk briefly with you. If you are available either of these days would you be good enough to drop me a note suggesting a time? I will make no other definite appointments until I hear from you.

Among other things, I would like to discuss the recent communications between you and T. T. Williams.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 24, 1968

Mr. Mitchell Sviridoff
Vice President
The Ford Foundation, Inc.
320 E. 43rd Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mike:

I shall be in New York on June 5 and 6, and I've written Chris for an appointment. On the morning of the 5th I will call your office to determine if you are available, and if we have any need to get together.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 24, 1968

Miss Betty Wells
Social Studies Department
Charles E. Merrill Books, Inc.
1300 Alum Creek Drive
Columbus 16, Ohio

Dear Miss Wells:

Enclosed is a copy of the April issue of the VEP Newsletter. On page 3 of the Newsletter you will find registration statistics by state and race. We do not have comparable statistics on voting. However, under separate cover we are sending you a report of the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights titled Political Participation which does cover some of the information you requested.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 24, 1968

Atlanta Metropolitan Committee on
Equal Opportunity in Housing
50 Seventh Street, N. E., Room 248
Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Gentlemen:

Please find the Council's check in the amount of $89.00 to cover the costs of pre-conference registration for 16 SRC staff people. Enclosed also are the registration forms.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosures - 17

May 24, 1968

Dr. Joseph P. Witherspoon
Professor of Law
School of Law
The University of Texas
2500 Red River
Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Joe:

Thank you very much for the page proofs of your manuscript. I am delighted to have it. I am leaving today for a week away from the office, but on my return I look forward to reading it.

I hope your meeting this weekend is a success, as I'm sure it will be.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 24, 1968

Mr. James C. Brewer
Executive Director
Foundation for Voluntary Service
1 Mitchell Place
First Avenue at 49th Street
New York, New York 10017

Dear Jim:

I shall be in New York on June 5 and 6 and would enjoy the opportunity to drop by briefly, if you are available. I shall call your office on the morning of the 5th to see if this is possible.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 24, 1968

Dr. F. D. Patterson
Treasurer
The Robert R. Moton Memorial Foundation, Inc.
22 East 54th Street
New York, New York 10022

Dear Dr. Patterson:

Enclosed is our check for $100 to cover the cost of becoming an institutional sponsor of the Foundation. I am so happy that you have brought this to our attention, since we had meant to do this for a long time.

It is always a delight to come to Capahosic, and the conference center is, indeed, a fitting tribute to Dr. Moton.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $100.00)

May 24, 1968

Mr. Eli Evans
Carnegie Corporation of New York
437 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Eli:

I shall be in New York on June 5 and 6 and would enjoy the opportunity to drop by briefly, if you are available. I shall call your office on the morning of the 5th to see if this is possible.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 24, 1968

Mr. William B. Goodman
Harcourt, Brace and World, Inc.
757 Third Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Bill:

I just ran across the August, 1967, American Scholar with a beautiful piece by Alice Walker and the notation that she was doing a novel and book of poems for you all. Could you give me her current address?

Is it too early to begin to think about the possibility of a paperback edition of Jacob's Ladder?

Regards.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

May 24, 1968

Mr. James Y. Holloway
Box 936
College Station
Berea College
Berea, Kentucky 40403

Dear Jim:

I have read the speech. Among the foremost reactions is a sort of startled shame that it was all news to me; I never had heard of Ellul, etc. The ideas, however, were more familiar -- mostly out of bitter experience. Long ago, I came on my own to the knowing that it is the institutions -- with a life and a power of their own -- that do the evil, not the people in them, good or evil as they may be. Technique sums it up better.

I'll go to reading your sources. Meanwhile, it did occur to me that Southerners, out of their conditioning in racism, are maybe further along than most Americans in the ability to accept for others, if not themselves, the fate of being objects. A question, too -- does technique necessarily result in evil? You don't say that, but your examples suggest it. I was thinking that the Viet Cong seem to have been able to thwart technique so far; then thought further, well -- no, they just have a better one. Is the difference the human element -- the fact they can believe in what they are doing and we can't?

As to Ferry, black power, etc., have you read Paul Goodman's piece in the May 23 New York Review of

Books? I think it comes far closer than Ferry to describing what ails most whites. Incidentally, I think, too, that the statement you sent me some time ago of the Berea students about the OEO programs in the mountains was as good an expression of the best of black power as I have seen.

Ahyhow, thanks for stirring me up.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

May 24, 1968

Mr. Leslie W. Dunbar
The Field Foundation
250 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017

Dear Les:

About the letter of recommendation -- let me just say thank you.

About the committee's hunger report and the other night's CBS documentary and the repercussions, including the House Committee's shaming of Freeman: Great. I don't think I've ever seen anything any more effective -- and this in a time when moving and shaking seems ever more difficult. We have here in Atlanta now one of these stations where people call in and sound off all day (an intelligently run one, eliciting the best of everyday-people intelligence and wisdom, indeed restoring my dwindling from afar faith); the morning after the CBS show, practically every call was about hunger, a great outpouring of sympathy, anger, and demands that something be done.

Have you by any chance read Paul Goodman's piece on black power in the current (May 23) New York

Review of Books? Granted that he likes to be different; he cuts through to some truth that is hard to articulate. Also: Jim Holloway sent me a speech he had made recently that touches, it seems to me, on the thinking in your speech about liberalism. Jim's is all about people and ideas I never heard of -- mainly one Ellul who must be the gloomiest of all gloomy philosophers. Anyhow -- if he hasn't sent it to you, and if you'd like to look at it, I'll be glad to send you a xerox.

Also, I'm attaching a compilation (Reese's work) of comments on our book.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl. - 1.

May 24, 1968

Mr. Matthew A. Timm
c/o Mr. Don Burnes
Miles College
Fairfield, Alabama 35064

Dear Mr. Timm:

Thank you for your kind letter. I hope the materials were of some help to you.

Under separate cover, I am sending you some information on how to form a buying co-op. The Vine City Foundation has developed such an enterprise, and I suggest you write to them. The co-op was set up by Gregg Regan and Larry Christian who, like yourself, are Vista workers. The address is:

The Vine City Foundation, Inc.
558 Magnolia Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

You may also write:

The Cooperative League of the USA
1012 14th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20005

Mr. John Lewis, who works here, may also be able to supply you with additional information.

Good luck, and if you are ever in Atlanta, stop by to see us.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Doris Reed
Research Assistant

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May 24, 1968

The Reverend Bridges W. Edwards
Dodge County Branch, NAACP
Peabody Heights Presbyterian Church
Herman Avenue
Eastman, Georgia 31023

Dear Mr. Edwards:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Dodge County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Dodge County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $675.00 for a period of two weeks to run from May 25 to June 8, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to two weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Task Force Workers	@ 25¢ per head	$ 500.00
Transportation		75.00
Supplies		50.00
Secretarial Assistance		50.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate bouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

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May 24, 1968

Mr. Norman L. Jenkins, Sr.
Chairman
Wayne County Branch, NAACP
461 West Pine Street
Jesup, Georgia 31545

Dear Mr. Jenkins:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Wayne County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Wayne County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 3 to July 29, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Six (6) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	720.00
Transportation		300.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Office Rent		50.00
Office Supplies		35.00
		$ 1,500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj'
Enclosure

cc: W. C. Patton

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May 24, 1968

Mr. Jack Bryant
President
Phillips County Branch, NAACP
304 Arkansas Street
Helena, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Bryant:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Phillips County Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Phillips County, Arkansas. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,500.00 for a period of eight weeks to run from June 1 to July 27, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to eight weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	$ 320.00
Six (6) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	720.00
Transportation		350.00
Office Supplies		50.00
Printing and Postage		60.00
		$1,500.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting Requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

CC: W. C. Patton

May 24, 1968

Mr. John B. Cunningham, Jr.
Director
Franklin County Voter Education Project
Box 125
Winchester, Tennessee 37398

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

This is to inform you that the Voter Education Project of the Southern Regional Council is suspending the grant made to the Franklin County Voter Education Project. We must ask that you proceed no further with arrangements with the establishing of a bank account. This action will remain in effect pending an investigation in Franklin County in early June by our Field Director.

While we regret this rather harsh action, we have no choice in view of recent reports. The reports reveal that the Franklin County Voter Education Project has taken certain action that is totally inconsistent with the intent of our grant.

In view of these developments, would you inform Mr. Rougeau, our field director, when he could meet with you, Mrs. Fowler, Mr. Blackwell and any other interested individuals so that the matter may be fully discussed and examined.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:mlj
cc: Weldon Rougeau
bcc: Mrs. J. C. Fowler

VEP
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May 24, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Edwards:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the North Carolina Voter Education Project for a grant to conduct a voter education program in the state of North Carolina. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $16,000.00 for a period of one year to run from June 1, 1968 to May 31, 1969.

We are limiting the grant to one year subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Salary	$ 8,000.00
Secretary's Salary	3,000.00
Travel	2,000.00
Administrative Cost: Rent, Supplies, Telephone and Postage	3,000.00
	$ 16,000.00

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit a monthly narrative report setting forth the activities of the Project and the Director.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political cnadidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclo

cc: The Reverend A. I. Dunlap

May 24, 1968

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Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina

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If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclo

cc: The Reverend A. I. Dunlap

May 25, 1968

Mr. Vernon A. Eagle
Executive Director
The New World Foundation
475 Riverside Drive
New York, New York 10027

Dear Vernon:

Enclosed herewith please find the report and documents submitted to the Phelps Stokes Fund.

See you at Capahosic.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

May 25, 1968

Mrs. Allie Hubert
5025 Mexico Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70126

Dear Mrs. Hubert:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of my vita sheet, and a glossy print photo, that you requested last evening.

I am indeed looking forward to sharing in the Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. program.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosures

May 27, 1968

Dr. Phillip Bosserman
University of South Florida
Tampa, Florida 33620

Dear Dr. Bosserman:

I have placed you on the list to receive all our reports and publications. If you want to receive _New South_, it has to be by subscription. I am enclosing an order form.

I mentioned your interest in possibly using the poverty issue of _New South_ in your classes to Jim Wood, administrative assistant here. Let me suggest that you address any correspondence about it directly to him.

It was good meeting you and your fine family at Penn Center.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js
Encl. - 1.

May 27, 1968

Mr. Samuel Adams
St. Petersburg Times
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Sam:

Chuck passed on to me your good series on the migrant workers. I hope you'll keep us posted on the situation, and send any follow-ups. And like Chuck says, be careful.

Best wishes.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

May 27, 1968

Mr. Oscar Cohen
Anti-Defamation League
  of B'nai B'rith
315 Lexington Avenue
New York, New York 10016

Dear Oscar:

The press of events and of work is no excuse for taking this long to answer your good note of March 21. Forgive me.

I am attaching the formal outline of the book I am working on. But true to form, I am not following it worth a damn. What seems to be shaping up is a division into four parts, with rather long chapters in each part, one on the evolution of southern mythology; one on physical and economic aspects, including urbanization; one on the movement and its impact, and a final one trying to bring the material together and assess the South's position in relation to the rest of the nation and the world today. (Unrealistic assessments of same have been, the economists tell us, a major cause of most of the region's past malignancies.) I will cover most of the material in the outline I am sending you, but the arrangement won't be quite the same.

Thank you for your interest.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Enclosure - 1.

May 27, 1968

Mr. Robert Valder
303-A Foster Street
Auburn, Alabama 36830

Dear Bob:

Done and done on putting you on the mailing list.

Again, best of luck in your new setting.

Try to keep your shoes on.

My best to Jan.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

Encl. - New South order form.

May 27, 1968

Mr. Luther C. Nadler
Cornell Law School
619 Hughes Hall
Ithaca, New York 14850

Dear Mr. Nadler:

This is an unforgiveably late response to your letter of March 28. It is a moot thing anyhow; neither Weldon nor I have information about SLED that was not contained in our Orangeburg report.

We would be very much interested in seeing any report or findings of your research.

Best wishes.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

May 27, 1968

Mr. Jack Bass
The Charlotte Observer
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Jack:

Thanks for sending the Rivers stuff. I tried my damndest to get somebody interested in the campaign. I had some hopes the Washington **Post** might do something, but haven't seen anything. I hope your analysis is right.

I'm glad you're doing the NEW SOUTH thing.

Best wishes.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

May 27, 1968

Miss Brenda Mull
P. O. Box 66
Mineral Bluff, Georgia

Dear Brenda:

I think your apprehensions about Vera Rony and about us are unfounded. However, because of the press of other events, there are no plans for immediate publication of the piece anyhow. Feel free to do with it anything you please.

Best wishes.

Yours truly,

Pat Watters
Director of Information

PW:js

May 27, 1968

Mrs. Madeleine M. Low
417 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mrs. Low:

Because Mr. Anthony is away from the office on an extended trip, I should like to acknowledge with grateful appreciation your letter of May 15th and your generous contribution. A tangible vote of confidence such as you have given the Council means a great deal to us.

Enclosed is the signed receipt.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosure - 1.

May 27, 1968

Mr. John H. Purves
Assistant to the President
Bluffton College
Bluffton, Ohio 45817

Dear Mr. Purves:

Thank you for your letter of May 24th.

Your letter has come while Mr. Anthony is away from the office on an extended trip. While Mr. Anthony's itinerary calls for him to be out of the city again during early June, I'm sure he would welcome an opportunity to talk with you, later in the month, about the explorations of the Council of Mennonite Colleges. I shall, therefore, call your letter to his attention immediately on his return at which time you will be hearing from him.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

May 27, 1968

Mr. William L. Slayton
Executive Vice President
Urban America, Inc.
1717 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. Slayton:

Thank you for your letter of May 24 in which you invite Mr. Anthony to attend your annual meeting in Detroit June 5 - 7. Unfortunately, Mr. Anthony, who is presently out of the city on an extended trip, will be in New York in the interest of the Council during the time of your meeting. I am sure he would find your meeting to be of more than passing interest, and will be sorry to have to miss it.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

May 27, 1968

Mrs. M. E. Alden
Route 2, Box 554
Placerville, California 95667

Dear Mrs. Alden:

Thank you so much for your recent order for our materials. They are being forwarded to you. You may obtain more detailed information about Friends of the Children of Mississippi by writing Mr. Fred Mangrum, director, FCM, 507½ North Farish Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

May 28, 1968

Mrs. Vivian R. Patterson
Mechanics and Farmers Bank
Durham, North Carolina 27702

Dear Vivian:

The Council will, indeed, pay Mr. Wheeler's travel to the King funeral. Our check is being forwarded today to the World Travel Agency in Durham.

Sincerely,

Mildred M. Johnson

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[redacted]

May 28, 1968

Mr. Johnny Harris
2216 Augusta Street
Charlotte, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Harris:

Thank you for letting us read the enclosed poems. As I am not, really, a critic, I hesitate to pontificate much about them. I think generally they are not ready for publication, but that the germ of good poetry is in them. I wish the decision could have been otherwise.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js
Enclosure

May 28, 1968

Mrs. Tom Ragland
3821 Abbott Martin Road
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Ragland:

Your letter of May 24th and the enclosed proposal have come while Mr. Anthony is on the West Coast. He will return on Monday of next week, at which time I am sure you will hear from him promptly.

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $44.10 to cover your travel expenses to the meeting last week.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ
Enclosure - 1. (Check: $44.10)

May 28, 1968

Mr. Ronn Ginn
500 South Himes
No. Four
Tampa, Florida 33609

Dear Mr. Ginn:

I believe if you write Planners for Equal Opportunity, 76 Reade Street, New York, New York 10007, they possibly might have something along the line you desire. Enclosed herewith is a list of SRC publications in case you are interested. However, I don't believe any of them are specifically what you asked for.

Sincerely yours,

Moreland Griffith Smith, FAIA
Director, Urban Planning Project

MGS/vmb

Enclosures:

May 28, 1968

TO: Paul Anthony

FROM: John Lewis

Re: Leave of absence

I hereby request a week's leave of absence -- May 29 - June 5, 1968

I am sorry that you are not in the office so I could have discussed this request with you. If I am needed during this period, Ruth will know how to reach me.

cc: Jim Wood

May 28, 1968

Mrs. Patricia B. Miller
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
First Federal Building
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Mrs. Miller:

This is to thank you for your letter of invitation to Mr. Anthony to attend the Louisiana Council's Annual Meeting on June 15th.

Your letter has come while Mr. Anthony is away from the office on an extended trip which will keep him from his desk well into the month of June. It is rather unlikely that he will be able to accept your gracious invitation after having been away at such length, and once back having to face a full calendar for the remainder of the month. Therefore, you might be on safer ground if you were to approach someone else to present your luncheon award.

Your letter will be brought to Mr. Anthony's attention on his return, and if he finds that he can come to Louisiana, I'm sure you will hear from him.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

May 28, 1968

Mr. Theodore Freedman
Executive Director
Anti-Defamation League
1513 Melrose Building
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Mr. Freedman:

In Mr. Anthony's absence I am having your name added to our mailing list as you have requested.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Mildred M. Johnson
Secretary to the Director

MMJ

VEP-
68-90

May 28, 1968

Mr. James Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125 Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Felder:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the South Carolina VEP for a grant to conduct a one-day Workshop for Candidates in South Carolina.

This is to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $800.00, and our check has been forwarded to the National Bank of South Carolina, in Sumter.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of, or against, any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your Workshop.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding special reporting requirements.

If you have any further questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

cc: Messrs. Thomas & Palmer

May 28, 1968

The National Bank of
  South Carolina
Post Office Drawer, 1798
Sumter, South Carolina 29150

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of $800.00 to be deposited to the account of the South Carolina Voter Education Project in Columbia, South Carolina.

Also enclosed are deposit slips indicating same.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosures
  Ck. $800.00
    Deposit slips.

May 28, 1968

Mr. J. Wendell Martin
Cathcart Ciecle
Winnsboro, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Martin:

This is to urgently request your presence at a Training Institute for South Carolina Candidates on Saturday, June 1, at the Holiday Inniin Sumter, South Carolina. The Institute is jointly sponsored by the VEP and SRC, NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, and the South Carolina VEP.

LDF lawyers will provide instruction on the rights, duties and legal responsibilities of candidates in the June primary. In addition, candidates will be instructed on procedures for poll watchers.

Automobile expense will be reimbursed at the rate of 10¢ per mile. Please use car pools where feasible. Lunch, at no cost to you, is planned.

Mr. James Felder, director of the South Carolina Voter Education Project is coordinator of the Institute. Mr. Felder along with Mr. James Finney, staff attorney for the Legal Defense Fund and Mr. Weldon Rougeau, field director of the Voter Education Project will conduct the Institute.

If you can attend, please get in touch with Mr. Felder in Columbia, South Carolina, at 254-4231, immediately. We look forward to seeing you in Sumter on Saturday, June 1, at 10:00 a. m.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ/JG:nm

May 28, 1968

Mr. Ralph T. Williams
64 Boundary Street
Newberry, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Williams:

This is to urgently request your presence at a Training Institute for South Carolina Candidates on Saturday, June 1, at 10:00 a. m., at the Holiday Inn in Sumter, South Carolina. The Institute is jointly sponsored by the VEP of SRC, NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, and the South Carolina VEP.

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

Jack Greenberg
Director-Counsel
NAACP Legal Defense and
Educational Fund, Inc.

JG/VEJ:nm

May 28, 1968

The Reverend Mannes H. Hudson
501 W. Moultrie Street
Winnsboro, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Hudson:

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Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

Jack Greenberg
Director-Counsel
NAACP Legal Defense and
Educational Fund, Inc.

JG/VEJ:nm

68-85

May 28, 1968

Mr. Donald Jackson
Director
Floyd County Voter Educational Committee
512 Branham Avenue
Rome, Georgia

Dear Mr. Jackson:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Floyd County Voter Educational Committee for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Floyd County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,600.00 for a period of six weeks to run from June 1 to July 13, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 300.00
Assistant Director's Expenses	@ $10.00 per week	60.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	210.00
Ten (10) Task Force Workers	@ $10.00 per week	600.00
Printing and Postage		75.00
Student Activities		50.00
Transportation		225.00
Telephone		40.00
Office Rent		40.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy or the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Friday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual repponsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and weldome non-partisan support of your voter registration acitivites.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

68-84

May 28, 1968

The Reverend Thomas M. Stubbs, Jr.
Chairman
Columbus Council on Human Relations
4244 St. Mary's Road
Columbus, Georgia 31907

Dear Mr. Stubbs:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Columbus Council on Human Relations for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Muscogee County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,820.00 for a period of six weeks to run from May 27 to July 8, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 300.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $40.00 per week	240.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	450.00
Printing and Postage		80.00
Office Supplies		50.00
Telephone		25.00
Office Rent		50.00
Transportation		625.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and an ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy 66 the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Thursday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, you are required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: number of persons registered, b) method used in getting persons to the registration office, c) increase of number of new voters in the one week period, d) problems, if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. Suggested forms for this reporting are provided. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your voter registration activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

68-92

May 28, 1968

Mr. Herman Lodge
Executive Secretary
Burke County Improvement Association, Inc.
P. O. Box 347
Waynesboro, Georgia 30830

Dear Mr. Lodge:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Burke County Improvement Association for a grant to conduct a citizenship education and leadership training program in Burke County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,000.00 for a period of ten weeks to run from June 8 to August 17, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds, The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 500.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $15.00 per week	150.00
Leadership Training		175.00
Five (5) Task Force Workers	@@ $15.00 per week	750.00
Printing and Postage		50.00
Tranpportation		250.00
Office Supplies		50.00
Telephone		75.00

Our guidelines require you to establish a separate bank account, and forward to VEP a copy of the signature card, and am ample supply of deposit slips and the name and address of the bank. The Project will mail a deposit directly to the bank for an amount approximating two weeks cash supply for the program. A copy of the deposit slip will be forwarded to you. You should, however, instruct the bank to mail all bank statements directly to VEP. These will become a part of our records and should you need access to them, they will be available.

A report itemizing all disbursements and enclosing appropriate vouchers for each disbursement is expected on Tuesday of each week. This report is to be certified by the individual responsible for your project reporting by placing his signature in the appropriate space on the weekly report. The Project will audit this report and reimburse the bank account for the amount spent. We are enclosing a copy of the Reporting Requirements of Recipient Organizations. You and other officers of your project should read these carefully and familiarize yourselves with the requirements.

To facilitate the Project's research aims, yourare required to submit weekly reports setting forth the following: a) areas visited, b) persons consulted, c) methods and materials used in training sessions and workshops, d) problems , if any, encountered with local registrars, police, or private citizens, e) threats of intimidation or economic reprisals, if any, f) samples of materials, leaflets, programs. These reports should accompany weekly financial reports. A monthly narrative report also is required.

These funds may not be used to support partisan politics in any manner whatsoever, nor to influence legislation of any kind, nor in behalf of or against any political candidate. You should strongly urge and welcome non-partisan support of your leadership training and citizenship education activities.

Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

May 29, 1968

Mrs. Mamie Nelson
Director
Lee County Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 149
Marianna, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Nelson:

I am returning to you the reports filed by your various workers on NAACP report forms. As requested in my letter of May 6, please consolidate these reports on a single VEP report form and send the form to me.

I am also returning a list of names submitted by Mrs. Carrie Ellis, since you might have some use for these names and addresses there.

Again, best wishes in carrying out your project.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project
BP

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 29, 1968

The Reverend Thomas M. Stubbs, Jr.
Chairman
Columbus Council on Human Relations
4244 St. Mary's Road
Columbus, Georgia 31907

Dear Mr. Stubbs:

In his recent letter, Mr. Jordan mentioned certain research reports that are required. A report on meetings being held, people being contacted, number registered, etc., is required weekly. This report should accompany your weekly financial report.

A supply of forms for this type of report, along with other registration material, is being sent to you under separate cover. These forms also may be used by your workers in making reports to you. We ask, however, that you not send the reports turned in by the various workers. Rather we prefer that you have someone in your office consolidate these reports and send us a single report covering a single period. Please see that each report clearly specifies the name of the project and the community and state in which it is located.

It is important that the information be accurate. Figures, particularly for "number successfully registered," should be by actual count and not by estimate.

In addition, we will need a narrative report from you each month. This longer report should describe the scope and organization of your program, the number of workers and techniques employed. Samples should be enclosed of any printed materials. Do not hesitate to describe any obstacles encountered, either from within your program or without. A complete and frank report will help both you and VEO in evaluating your program and in planning future programs.

Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 29, 1968

Mr. Irving Kaler
Attorney at Law
Fulton National Bank Bldg.
50 Marietta Street, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Irving:

Last night was a great occasion. Shirley and I were delighted to have been your guest. My heartiest congratulations to you, and best wishes as you continue to work for brotherhood and equality.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 29, 1968

Dr. Lucius Pitts
President
Miles College
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Lucius:

This comes to express my sincere gratitude for the rich and rewarding experience you afforded me on Monday afternoon as commencement speaker at Miles College.

It was for me a meaningful and memorable day.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 29, 1968

Mrs. Mary J. Williams
Secretary
Galax Branch, NAACP
Route 5, Box 297-A
Galax, Virginia 24333

Dear Mrs. Williams:

I am very sorry I was unable to see you during my recent trip to Virginia. Because of limitation I placed on the amount of time I would spend in the state, I was unable to see you and members of your project. When next I am in the state I hope to meet with you and all concerned.

The best of luck in your registration drive.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 29, 1968

Miss Dicy Chester
Calhoun County Voter Education Project
Box 211
Leary, Georgia 31762

Dear Miss Chester:

I am very sorry I was unable to keep my appointment with members of your project on Wednesday, May 15. Unfortunately I was called out of the state on that day and it was absolutely impossible for me to notify you in time for you to make a change in your program. I am really very sorry this happened.

If you will notify me in time for me to attend one of your future meetings I will be more than happy to do so.. All I ask is that you give me at least a week's notice.

Again I am very sorry I was unable to attend your meeting. I hope you will forgive me.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 29, 1968

Mr. John Edwards
Director
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear John:

Please don't forget the report of your field activities for the months of April and May.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 29, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Bill:

Enclosed are three carbons of the draft as typed up. I made one or two copy changes before sending it on to the printer. Galley proofs have been promised to me this afternoon. I am writing Thomas Day concerning the drawings and will send you a copy of my letter to him.

Please urge Mr. Day to move ahead as fast as possible on the drawings. Also, please give me as soon as possible the heading and legend you propose to put on the maps already sent to the printer.

We very much appreciate your taking the time to come to see us in Atlanta. Thad will take care of your expense form and the expense for Louise Brothers. I hope we will have the occasion to play host to you again here soon.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 29, 1968

The Reverend Ben Grinage
Director
Arkansas Voter Education Project
1310 Wright Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Ben:

I have not received a report of your field activities since we discussed this matter at the February meeting of state VEP directors. I indicated in the meeting the report can be the same as the one you send to Marvin. But a report I must have.

Take care of yourself and send us some proposals. please.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 29, 1968

Mr. D. Germanotta
Route 1, Box 944-C
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115

Dear Mr. Germanotta:

This is just a note to thank you for your excellent reports and to congratulate you and all the others there on the excellent results obtained in Orangeburg.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 29, 1968

Mr. James L. Felder
Director
South Carolina Voter Education Project
1125½ Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Jimmy:

Don't forget the report of your field activities. It is very important that I receive a copy it whenever you make your monthly report to Marvin Wall.

Take care and don't work too hard.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 29, 1968

Mr. Thomas C. Daye
c/o North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Mr. Daye:

This is to confirm the terms agreed upon by you and Bill Towe for art work for the "Know Your North Carolina" booklet. As suggested by Bill we are agreeing to pay you $8.00 each for ten to fourteen illustrations.

We very much appreciate your willingness to work with us and Mr. Towe on this booklet. We will be grateful for anything you can do to speed the process along.

Best wishes and thanks again.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

cc: Bill Towe

May 29, 1968

The Reverend Elmer D. Hooks
Bossier Parish Voter Education Project
415 North Circle Drive
Bossier City, Louisiana 71010

Dear Mr. Hooks:

Now that federal voting examiners are in Bossier Parish I hope you will take advantage of their presence to increase the number of registrants in your registration drive.

Good luck in your efforts.

Sincerely,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 29, 1968

Dr. Jewel Prestage
2145 - 77th Avenue
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Jewel:

Thank you for all of the subversive material you sent me. My God, the Digest has changed in recent years.

Please convey my very best good wishes to Jim.

Cordially,

Weldon J. Rougeau
Field Director
Voter Education Project

WJR:mlj

May 29, 1968

Mr. William Samuel, Jr.
Director
Louisiana Voter Education Project
310 Oak Street
Plaquemine, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Samuel:

My travel plans to Baton Rouge are as follows:

Lv. Atlanta via Delta # 839 to New Orleans

Lv. New Orleans via TT # 914

Ar. Baton Rouge 11:38 a. m. on Sunday June 9.

Lv. Baton Rouge on Monday morning, June 10 via Delta # 808.

The round trip fare will be $75.60. I would prefer your sending me that amount by check rather than purchansing the ticket myself.

I look forward to being with you on June 9.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond

JB:nm

May 29, 1968

Mr. Herbert Bellamy
421 East Ferry Street
Buffalo, New York 14208

Dear Mr. Bellamy:

I plan to arrive in Buffalo on Sunday via United flight No. 646, leaving Washington at 1:35 p.m., and arriving in Buffalo at 3:08 p. m. I will talk from the topic "New Forces of Urban Political Power." My plans are to leave Buffalo fairly early on Monday morning.

I look forward to sharing in your program.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

May 29, 1968

Mrs. Etta Haynes
103 Cleaver Building
1821 Orleans Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70116

Dear Mrs. Haynes:

Enclosed is our check covering the pay period ending May 31, 1968.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosure

May 29, 1968

Mr. Wayne Nichols
South Carolina VEP
1125 Washington Street
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Nichols:

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Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosure

May 29, 1968

Mr. George Butler
Office of the Chancery Clerk
Courthouse
Port Gibson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Butler:

Enclosed is our check covering pay period ending May 31, 1968.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosure

May 29, 1968

The Reverend Bridges W. Edwards
Dodge County Branch, NAACP
Peabody Heights Presbyterian Church
Herman Avenue
Eastman, Georgia 31023

Dear Mr. Edwards:

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Please keep in mind that this outline of required reports is not limiting. That is to say, we hope you will include anything that seems of interest or importance. We encourage you to pass along any comments of value made by workers in your program. The comments of any student workers you use are especially desired.

We wish for you every success, and look forward to receiving your reports.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:jlj

May 29, 1968

Mr. William P. Randall
Executive Secretary
Bibb and Jones Counties Action Committee
850 Forsyth Street
Macon, Georgia

Dear Mr. Randall:

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Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 29, 1968

Mr. Norman L. Jenkins, Sr.
Chairman
Wayne County Branch, NAACP
461 West Pine Street
Jesup, Georgia 31545

Dear Mr. Jenkins:

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Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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May 29, 1968

Mr. Jack Bryant
President
Phillips County Branch, NAACP
304 Arkansas Street
Helena, Arkansas 72342

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Director of Research
Voter Education Project

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May 29, 1968

Mr. Donald Jackson
Director
Floyd County Voter Educational Committee
512 Branham Avenue
Rome, Georgia

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Voter Education Project

MW:mlj

May 29, 1968

The Honorable David Wade, Director
Department of Institutions
American Bank Building
North Foster Drive & Florida Streets
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806

Dear Sir:

Attached is a copy of a request we have made of Governor John McKeithen to introduce a resolution at the forthcoming Southern Governors Conference. Your support of such a resolution would be beneficial to us and to your colleagues throughout the Southern Region.

I am pleased to accept your invitation to visit your system at your convenience after June 3rd; however, it would be helpful if you could arrange for us to confer with the Governor before the Southern Governors Conference convene. I will telephone you Friday, May 31st, to see if these plans can be fitted into your schedule.

The enclosures are~~s~~self-explanatory. I am certain that your appreciation of the values of an Interstate Corrections Compact is deeper than those listed in the enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

John O. Boone, Director
Project on Crime and Corrections

JOB/vmb

Enclosures:

May 29, 1968

The Honorable John McKeithen
Governor of Louisiana
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

For two years, the S.R.C. Project on the Administration of Criminal Justice and the Council of State Governors, through Mr. Joseph Moyland, Assistant Director of the Council, has explored the possibility of an Interstate Compact on Corrections for the Southern States. Last year, considerable interest was developed in the passing of an enabling resolution at the Southern Governors Conference, however, no one was selected to introduce such a resolution.

We would like to see such a compact initiated this year and request your assistance.

We would appreciate it if you would introduce such a resolution at the Southern Governors Conference this year. Should you agree, we will contact other Governors and request their support. Many are already on record as favoring such a compact. We are also able to offer other services that would facilitate your support of this resolution.

I have been in contact with General David Wade about the possibility of a conference with you in the near future. I trust that this can be arranged before the Governors Conference is convened.

I am familiar with your commitment to corrections and would appreciate first hand observations of your plans. I have enclosed a letter from the Massachusetts Department of Corrections which describes the New England Interstate Corrections Compact, and a contract between Massachusetts and New Hampshire for your information.

Respectfully yours,

John O. Boone, Director
Project on the Administration of Justice

JOB/vmb

Enclosures:

May 29, 1968

Mr. James Y. Holloway
Box 936
College Station
Berea, Kentucky 40423

Dear Mr. Holloway:

Mr. Lewis will be out of the office until about May 20 on an extended field trip.

He will be giving the lecture at Vanderbilt Friday, May 3 but he will be flying there on Thursday evening and returning to Boston on Friday.

I'm sure Mr. Lewis will be in touch with you upon his return to the office.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Ruth Howard
Secretary to Mr. Lewis

May 30, 1968

Miss Lynnette Taylor
Executive Director
Delta Sigma Theta, Inc.
1814 M Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.   20036

Dear Miss Taylor:

As per your request, the enclosed list is forwarded for your use and information.

If we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Thaddeus Olive, Jr.
Administrative Assistant
Voter Education Project

TO:nm
Enclosure

May 30, 1968

Dr. John Munro
Dean of Freshman Studies
Miles College
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear John:

It was a great pleasure to meet you this week after having heard and read so much about you. I hope that our schedules permit us to get together again.

Under separate cover, I am forwarding to you materials on the Voter Education Project, and some of our publications. I trust that you will find them useful. If we can do anything to assist you at any time, please let us know.

My best regards to Mrs. Munro.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm

VEP-68-96

May 30, 1968

Mrs. Glardes Wright
123 Pennington Street
Ripley, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. Wright:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the West Tennessee Self-Help Development Corporation, Inc., for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in a five-county area, in West Tennessee, namely, Fayette, Haywood, Hardeman, Lauderdale, and Tipton. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $10,750.00 for a period of ten weeks to run from June 7 to August 16, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Project Director's Expenses @ $75.00 per week			$ 750.00
FAYETTE COUNTY			
a)	Co-director's expense @ $ 50.00 per week	$ 500.00	
b)	Secretary's expenses @ $ 30.00 per week	300.00	
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Our Director of Research, Marvin Wall, will write you regarding further requirements for reporting.

If you have any questions, please let us hear from you.

Sincerely,

Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Baxton Bryant

TO
VEP —
68-96

May 30, 1968

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Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:nm
Enclosure

cc: Mr. Baxton Bryant

May 31, 1968

Mrs. Tom Ragland
3821 Abbott Martin Road
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Martha:

Thank you for sharing with me so promptly your proposal. It has a great many good ideas in it. We can discuss this further at the next meeting of the Program Committee. However, prior to that meeting we shall, in advance, share copies of the proposal with the members of the Executive Committee and put it on the agenda for their next meeting. That meeting is likely to be in mid-summer, but will certainly be no later than early September.

Best.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 31, 1968

Dear Clarie:

I have today gotten the Memphis studies off to the persons you have requested them to be sent to.

We all miss seeing you on those regular jaunts you used to make to Atlanta.

Sincerely,

Mildred M. Johnson

Mrs. Martin Harvey
415 N. Farish Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39202

May 31, 1968

Mrs. Virginia M. Smyth
Regional Commissioner, SRS
Department of Health, Education, and
Welfare
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Virginia:

It was a pleasure being with you earlier this week in San Francisco and hearing your excellent address. I do hope we can get together soon in Atlanta.

Enclosed is a list of current SRC publications. If you wish copies of any of them, simply indicate on the list those you're interested in and return the list to us. We are also adding you to our mailing list.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj
Enclosure - Publications List

MEMORANDUM May 30, 1968

To: Janet Smith

From: Paul Anthony

Please add the following person to our GOVERNMENT mailing list:

Mrs. Virginia M. Smyth
Regional Commissioner
Social and Rehabilitation Service
Dept. of Health, Education, and Welfare
Atlanta, Georgia

May 31, 1968

Dr. Donald Hertzberg
Director of Admissions
The Eagleton Institute
Rutgers University
New Brunswick, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Hertzberg:

Mr. Otis Cochrane has requested that I write, in his behalf, relative to his request for admission.

I have known this young man for some years -- since his leadership here in the student protest movement and the sit-ins. Since that time he has been active with a broad number of things, including work with the Anti-Poverty Program, serving as chairman of the Board of Directors of the Vine City Foundation, a local and most effectively run program in one of our slum areas. Mr. Cochrane is also on the Board of Directors of Economic Opportunity Atlanta and of the Atlanta Legal Aid Society.

Last year the Council was sufficiently interested in Mr. Cochrane's development that it assisted him on a trip to Africa which was sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee of Philadelphia.

I believe Mr. Cochrane has considerable potential, and I recommend him for your program.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

via air mail May 31, 1968

Mrs. Helen Furman
Sheraton Hotel
Apartment 1625
801 South Bayshore Drive
Miami, Florida 33131

Dear Helen:

I trust this is being sent to you at the correct address, and that it reaches you before you leave for Chicago.

Your affair, when last in Chicago, was excellent. I was sincerely happy to be a part of it.

While I hope they think it appropriate, I have written Kenneth Montgomery saying I will send a few things to him periodically and I have done the same thing, somewhat less formally, with Harold Friedman. I have also told Mrs. Lynne Field that I will occasionally send her things in New York. The rest of your information about Mrs. Field dumbfounds me to the point that I feel incapable of commenting at this point.

Your suggestion about John Knight and other editors is a good one, and we shall follow through on it.

Beyond this I will look forward to our having a good conversation in mid-summer.

My best to you both.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 31, 1968

Mrs. Patricia B. Miller
Executive Director
Louisiana Council on Human Relations
First Federal Building
7986 Scenic Highway
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70807

Dear Pat:

I regret that I have already made commitments for June 15th. Please give us a call if you would like someone else to be there.

Every good wish for a good meeting.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony
Executive Director

PA/mmj

May 31, 1968

Mrs. John C. Bradshaw
504 Rose Marie Avenue
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462

Dear Mrs. Bradshaw:

I appreciate your kind letter of May 24. It was helpful to me to get acquainted with some of the human relations council folks in Norfolk and environs.

Do let us know, if ever we can render any assistance.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 31, 1968

Sister Mary Raphael, O.P.
St. Mary Star of the Sea School
14 North Willard Avenue
Hampton, Virginia 23363

Dear Sister Mary Raphael:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of May 21. The evening with the Peninsula Council was a help and a pleasure to me, I assure you.

Your subscription to NEW SOUTH has been entered. You will receive a copy of the current issue, on rural poverty in the South, and our publications list.

Cordially,

Edwin Stanfield
Director
Field Activities

ES/cl

May 31, 1968

Mr. Meharry H. Lewis
Indiana University
GRC Box A-02
Bloomington, Indiana 47401

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Out of courtesy to Mr. Lincoln and Mr. Campbell, I have sought -- and now received -- their permission for you to reprint the articles which you wrote me about. All that we would ask would be the normal credit lines, "Reprinted from New South, etc.," copyright, 1966 Southern Regional Council, Inc.

Mr. Lincoln requests two copies of the book when it is published.

Very truly yours,

Robert E. Anderson, Jr.
Managing Editor
SRC Publications

REA,Jr/js

May 31, 1968

Mr. Willie L. Hall
Southwest Georgia Project
Calhoun County VEP
615 South Jefferson
Albany, Georgia 31701

Dear Mr. Hall:

We are enclosing a copy of our booklet "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign." Several of these booklets were sent to the Calhoun County VEP with the research report forms. If this supply is not enough, please let us know.

We have a 16 millimeter, color film on voter registration. If you have a projector which will show this size film, let us know and we will be happy to send it to you.

If we can be of further service to you, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 31, 1968

Mr. Bill Towe
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Bill:

I am returning five of the pictures and keeping four. We haven't laid the paper out yet, but will probably use two of the four pictures I am holding back. I will return all of the pictures after the paper is our. They are excellent pictures.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Education Project

MW:mlj
Enclosure

May 31, 1968

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bernice Cook

FROM: Vernon Jordan

Please send the following to Ted Cobb at the National Urban League today by air express:

250 copies of "How To Conduct a Registration Campaign"

150 copies of "Know Your Rights"

100 copies of "Know Your Georgia Government"

Labels are attached.

Many thanks.

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May 31, 1968

Mr. Thomas C. Chatmon
Director
Dougherty County Voter Registration Drive
301 Highland Avenue
Albany, Georgia 31705

Dear Mr. Chatmon:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Dougherty County Voter Registration Drive for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Dougherty County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,500.00 for a period of ten weeks to fun-from June 1 to August 10, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 500.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	350.00
Seven (7) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	1,050.00
Transportation		400.00
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Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
Director
Voter Education Project

VEJ:mlj
Enclosure

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May 31, 1968

Mr. C. B. Robinson
Chattanooga Branch, NAACP
1909 East Fifth Street
Chattanooga, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Robinson:

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Office Supplies		75.00
Equipment Rental		50.00
Transportation		500.00
Telephone		70.00

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Sincerely,

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Director
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Enclosure
cc: W. C. Patton

68-94

May 31, 1968

Mr. C. O. Brown
President
Milledgeville Branch, NAACP
P. O. Box 142
Milledgeville, Georgia 31061

Dear Mr. Brown:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Milledgeville Branch, NAACP for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Baldwin County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $1,125.00 for a period of six weeks to run from June 6 to July 18, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to six weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	$ 50.00
Clerical Expenses	200.00
Transportation	600.00
Office Rent	50.00
Telephone Expenses	10.00
Office Supplies	25.00
Printing and Postage	115.00
Publicity and Promotion	25.00
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Mr. Bill Towe
North Carolina Voter Education Project
213½ West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701

Dear Bill:

Here's your check.

Best regards,

Marvin Wall
Director of Research
Voter Registration Project

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May 31, 1968

Mr. Thomas C. Chatmon
Director
Dougherty County Voter Registration Drive
301 Highland Avenue
Albany, Georgia 31705

Dear Mr. Chatmon:

The Voter Education Project has carefully considered the request of the Dougherty County Voter Registration Drive for a grant to conduct a voter registration drive in Dougherty County, Georgia. We are pleased to inform you that we have approved your program in the amount of $2,500.00 for a period of ten weeks to run from June 1 to August 10, 1968.

We are limiting the grant to ten weeks subject to review and the availability of additional funds. The amount granted is to cover the following:

Director's Expenses	@ $50.00 per week	$ 500.00
Secretary's Expenses	@ $35.00 per week	350.00
Seven (7) Task Force Workers	@ $15.00 per week	1,050.00
Transportation		400.00
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